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Hospital could lose popular radio service

FUTURE funding for hospital radio services, broadcast from the county hospital, could be at risk.

The hospital's League of Friends say that since hospital managers decided to close their café and make it a commercial venture run by catering staff, they are unable to guarantee funding for Ridgeway Radio.

"It would be terrible if we lost our wonderful Ridgeway Radio, so much loved by all our hospital patients, for the sake of £500," said Patient Governor Michel Hooper-Immins at the Dorset County Hospital's Council of Governors meeting.

"The lack of funding is an unintended consequence of the closure of

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the friends' café, because for many years the league of friends has kindly provided the running expenses for the all-volunteer Ridgeway Radio," he said. "But with the loss of the café, they now have no money. The modest running expenses amount to only a few hundred pounds a year."

Governor Andy Hutchings agreed, saying that when he has been a patient at Dorset County Hospital, the radio had been a great aid to recovery and an invaluable link with the outside world.

Hospital Radio chair-

man Andy Worth admitted that the unforeseen consequences of the friends café closure could affect the radio service.

"We need between £500 and £1,000 a year to meet our expenses and the friends have said that with their loss of income they are unsure how they might be able to help fund our service, as they have done in the past."

Mr Worth said he had been told that the hospital did have charity funding available which it might be able to use.

Dorset County Hospital Foundation Trust Director of Finance & Resources Bill Boa said he would soon be writing to

Ridgeway Radio to tell them how they might go about accessing those funds.

Ridgeway Radio has been running for about 40 years and broadcasts live and recorded programmes to every bed in the hospital for 24 hours every day.

All the staff are volunteers, with some giving their time over four decades.

After the meeting, Michel Hooper-Immins told the *View From*: "A lot has been said about the loss of the Terrace Café, but none of us realised at the time that this means the League of Friends, who do such good work around the hospital, would be unable to continue funding the wonderful hospital radio

station.

"I hear so many patients praise Andy Worth and his volunteers, who produce outstanding programmes 24/7 from their little studio within the

hospital.

"I have every faith in Bill Boa being able to find the modest sum required from the charity funds."

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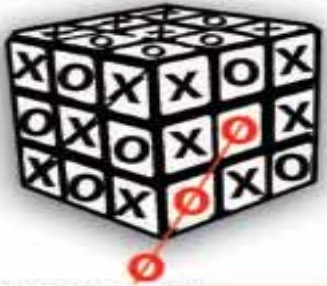
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FOR the last six years, Local Food Links have been providing delicious hot meals to schools and community groups throughout West Dorset. Caroline Morgan is CEO of this ever expanding organisation and as a self-proclaimed "foodie" and gastronomist she tells us why hot meals are becoming popular once again in Dorset Schools and how parents can help their child have a more balanced diet ... and have them asking for more. Caroline lives in Dorchester with her husband and three children. For further information visit www.local-foodlinks.org.uk

■ WHAT does Local Food Links do?

We are a not for profit organisation and we make predominantly school meals. We work with 23 primary schools and are hoping to expand this September. We also work with older people. We do "Meals on Wheels" and we also cater for some lunch clubs, day centres, and also the Social Education Centre in Bridport.

■ HOW many meals do you produce a day?

Around 1,200! These are prepared and distributed from our two hub kitchens, one of which is in Bridport the other is in Blandford. School meals disappeared for Dorset about 25-years-ago and most school kitchens were ripped out. When they decided to bring hot meals back, the easiest way was to cook them in hub kitchens and deliver them hot, so all the schools needed was a serving table and washing up facilities. Some schools did have a kitchen put back and they receive what we call a "Cook-Chill meal" which can be re-heated on site.

■ WHAT would you say to parents who are thinking of ordering hot dinners for their child?

Come to one of our "taster" sessions and try one for yourself. If a child has a packed lunch every day, they are probably going to be eating a lot of bread, processed meats and salty or sugary snacks. If they have a hot meal, even occasionally, then they are having a much more varied diet. For example, our tomato base sauce which goes into all our pizzas, pasta dishes and casseroles has so many vegetables hidden in it, it's completely whizzed so the children wouldn't even know, but it's got squash, peppers, courgettes and garlic, all the good stuff. It's a Jamie Oliver recipe. Parents can be flexible about how many hot meals their child has, but whether it's one or



five meals a week, there's a nice variety and there's bound to be something they like. There's always a vegetarian option too.

■ SO, what might be on the menu that everyone will enjoy?

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Roast dinners are a good example of a popular traditional meal. Then for something a bit more exotic you might like sweet and sour pork with couscous, or chicken curry with rice and onion bhaji – actually it was the onion bhaji that made this one so popular, kids really love the novelty extras.

■ DO you do chips?

We don't do chips, but we do potato wedges, they are baked not fried.

■ HAS Jamie Oliver been a big help to your campaign?

Definitely, his recipes are so easy to follow, and he has such good ideas – he got a lot of slating for his work on school meals, but I think he's done a tremendous job. Jamie Oliver came along at about the same time we were starting up Local Food Links so he really helped boost our cause.

■ ARE the "Meals on Wheels" menus the same as in schools?

No, when we started we soon discovered that whilst children love pasta, the older generation generally don't. They would prefer more potatoes and hot puddings and traditional meals, more like what they grew up with. It took us a while to get the balance right.

■ WHAT are your personal memories of school meals?

I had a lot of school meals. In my day they still had spam fritters, which were the absolute worst thing for me. There were lots of things we loved though; the crumbles and steamed puddings. When the meals were good it was a real lift, you always felt happy. Food really influences so much of our lives, our moods our health.

■ WHICH three famous people would you like to invite for a Local Food Links lunch?

Jamie Oliver, of course. Then I'd invite Audrey Hepburn because I think she was very beautiful and she did lots of good work for charity. I'd also invite Roald Dahl. He wrote some great stories about food for children, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" for instance.

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New community centre idea for redundant offices

AN idea to turn West Dorset District Council's offices into a community centre has been put forward by *View from Dorchester* reader, Christopher Slade.

The idea has already been looked at by Dorset Community Action and senior council officials.

Mr Slade is now hoping that someone will pick up the idea and progress it before the district council moves out of its Shire Hall building in High West Street towards the end of the year.

The only plans being looked at so far involve only a small part of the building – containing the former Tolpudle Martyrs Court and cells, including a possible new home for the town's Tourist Information Centre.

Mr Slade believes the whole building could be put to community use and is hoping that the Dorset County Council Community Fund might be able to provide some seed funding to investigate the idea.

"It occurred to me that the soon-to-be-redundant West

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Dorset District Council offices would make an ideal location for a 'community centre'. The site is centrally located, already in the public domain so no purchase would be necessary, it has lots of decent sized rooms for all sorts of activities, a car park etc, and would enable WDDC to find a popular use for what will become a white elephant when they move to their controversial new offices," said Mr Slade in a letter read by West Dorset MP, Oliver Letwin and Dorset County Council chief executive, David Jenkins.

"It should be run, as much as possible, by the community for the community, but with professional help where needed. If we could, together, identify and flag the snags and plan their avoidance, then the local press and coun-

cillors should be able to put it to the people and see whether or not it is met with enthusiasm before anything substantial is done in the way of fund-finding."

In his original proposal Mr Slade likened the centre to a modern-day 'workhouse' where those with time on their hands could share their skills with others, in the case of those in need of accommodation possibly being offered lodgings in return for working in the centre.

"My idea is that there should be a network of 'community centres' with, in some cases where appropriate, limited accommodation.

"Where people are homeless or street sleepers, they should be offered accommodation, or at least somewhere to have a shave, shower, change of clothes, food, warmth and conversation, and, in exchange, could help with cooking/ cleaning/storytelling/entertaining/gardening.

"People without transport would be fetched from their own homes and delivered back there in a minibus driven by somebody looking towards getting a PSV licence, or a person hoping to get a good reference to help get a 'proper job' or simply a volunteer."

His idea has been looked at by Georgina Morgan, the chief executive of Dorset Community Action, who responded to the idea on Monday by encouraging Mr Slade to take the project on.

But Mr Slade feels this course of action is not for him. "I'm an 'ideas' person and not a natural at rounding up and enthusing/organising others," he said.

Square design defended

THE design of Poundbury's Queen Mother Square has been defended by the Duchy of Cornwall.

Town councillor Tim Harries had criticised the layout as "an accident waiting to happen" at a meeting and called for changes to improve safety.

Mr Harries said the layout of the Square, in front of the new mini Waitrose store, left both drivers and pedestrians confused.

Town council planning committee members heard on Monday that the Duchy has promised to continue monitoring the Square for safety issues.

Estate director Simon Conibear told the committee: "The Square has been designed by our consultants in conjunction with Dorset County Council highways as a shared surface and this follows examples of similar schemes both in the UK and internationally...the design intention is to make the car drivers slow down and take more care as they are uncertain of both pedestrian and car movements."

Mr Conibear said that some works were still to be completed and there would inevitably be a "bedding down" period while people got used to the layout.

Restaurant applies for licence

THE Italian restaurant chain, Carluccio's, has applied for a premises licence for its new Dorchester business.

Due to open in Brewery Square in the autumn the chain is asking for opening hours of 8am until half past midnight Monday to Sunday, with last orders at midnight.

Other restaurant businesses are also lined up for the development including a well-known pizza chain, a French-themed restaurant company and a far eastern noodle chain.

Village joins fight to save bus service

ONE of Dorchester's outlying villages has joined the protest about threats to the area's bus services.

Operators Damory Coaches has said that it will have to pull out of a number of "uneconomic" routes from April 14th.

Among those who face losing a service into the county town is Tolpudle where more than 150 people have now signed a petition asking the county council to do all it can to save services.

Calls have also been made to West Dorset MP, Oliver Letwin, for him to intervene - pointing out that the village has no shop or doctors surgery.

There is anger among many of the protestors that

Damory has applied to deregister the services less than a year after taking them on.

Five town services, as well as routes between Dorchester and Poole and between Dorchester and Wool, are likely to be affected.

Petitions have already been collected in Dorchester and Charminster to save the routes and Dorchester Town Council has asked the county council to take action.

As a result county transport officials have been involved in ongoing talks with Damory to see if services could be rationalised or saved in any other way.

In the past two weeks county, district and town councillor Trevor Jones told *View from Dorchester* that he was "optimistic" about the way those talks were going.

Now extra pressure to find a solution has been piled on by the Tolpudle signatures who say their community will be left without public transport to both Dorchester and, in the opposite direction, to Bere Regis and Poole.

Another rural route likely to go is the 212 Dorchester to Yeovil service, which calls at Maiden Newton and Cattistock.

One small piece of good news emerged this week with the announcement from the county council that the existing 216 service between Dorchester and Yeovil may be diverted to serve Charminster, Charlton Down and Cerne, offering an alternative to the number 7, which is expected to cease operations in April.

Bids to run some of the other services have been invited and will be considered at a special meeting of the county council cabinet on March 21st.

The Range opens tomorrow

NEW DIY and home store, The Range opens this Friday (March 9th) at 9am at Great Western Road, Dorchester.

The store will be opened by owner and founder of The Range Chris Dawson along with local businessman Peter Tizard and the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Tess James.

The Range's mascot "Captain Range" will be attending the opening, handing out balloons and entertaining customers waiting to get in to the brand new store.

The new store has sig-

nificant value to Mr Dawson, who used to trade in the local market every Wednesday almost 30-years-ago.

As well as bringing The Range to Dorchester the venture will also create up to 100 part and full-time jobs.

Mr Dawson said: "Opening a brand new store in such a vibrant location as Dorchester is an exciting prospect for The Range."

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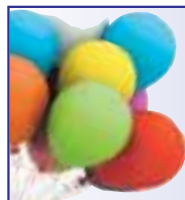
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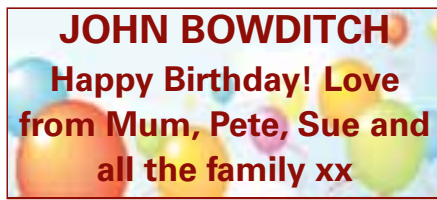
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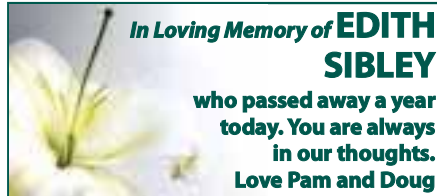
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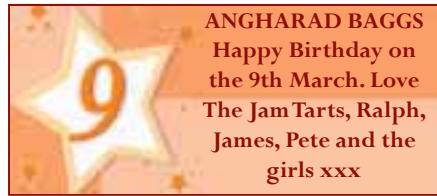
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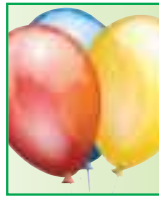
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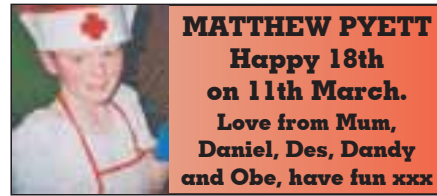
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aims to tempt those taking
part to visit all 42 nature
reserves, with prizes to
be won for the most
interesting and impressive
completions.

Nicky Hoar, Dorset
Wildlife Trust's Commu-
nication Officer, said:
"The 42toDo Challenge
is all about discovering
some of the hidden corners
of Dorset, with some of the best
wildlife.

"I did the challenge
myself last year by bike
and saw a completely
new side to the county I
thought I knew well.

"As well as the big,
starring flagship reserves,
there are tiny, tucked-away
gems that will surprise you,
and they are all being
protected for wildlife and
for you to enjoy."

Nicky said that those
who want to undertake
the challenge can start
or finish the 42toDo

Challenge at any time of
year, and each month
has something different
to offer.

Brownsea Island is
great for waders now
(open weekends), King-
combe Meadows comes
to life in the summer,
with swathes of wild-
flowers and butterflies,
Upton Heath bursts into
colour in early autumn
with the heathers glowing
purple and rare rep-

tiles out basking in the
sun, while a spring walk
through Ashley Wood
will be a treat as blue-
bells cover the forest
floor.

All those that visit 21 or
the full 42 reserves will
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THE call has gone out to Dorchester's gardeners – the county town needs you!

Willing volunteers are needed to help brighten the town with more hanging baskets.

The town council and Dorchester Business Improvement District (BID) is hoping to find a company, or individuals, who can supply around 30 additional baskets for use throughout the town.

Dorchester BID director Phil Gordon said: "I know we have some very green-fingered gardeners in Dorchester so we hope to find either a company or an individual who would like to help us brighten up Dorchester by supplying us with around 30 hanging baskets."

Town Clerk Dennis Holmes has pledged the town council's support by watering and looking after the baskets once they are up.

Volunteers who want to get involved should email philg@dorchesterdorset.co.uk.

Water talk for history group

HISTORY fans at Broadmayne will hear about the village water supply at a meeting on March 15th.

Local History Broadmayne will get together at the Village Hall at 7.30pm when John Willows from Wessex Water will speak on the story of Broadmayne's water supply.

Villagers will hear how, as the consequence of a drought, an essential element for life was brought to Broadmayne residents and how this supply was made reliable and more convenient. Also on the programme is a look back a quarter of a century ago when fundraising events were held to help finance the building of the new village hall which is celebrating its silver jubilee this year.

The meeting is open to all, and anyone with knowledge of any of the topics or who was in Broadmayne 25-years-ago and might appear in the photos will be particularly welcome.

Entry is just £1 to include refreshments.

A donation will be made to WaterAid from the entry fee.

Step back in time

THE 1940s will return to Maiden Newton in June as the village turns the clock back to the war years.

Maiden Newton at War is being run for the third time on June 22-23rd, recreating the atmosphere of the era through living history and re-enactments.

Organiser Andy Elliott says Maiden Newton is the ideal location to hold the event because its landscape remains almost unchanged since the 1940s with many of the wartime defences still in place.

During the Second World War, Maiden Newton went through the full evolutionary process of preparing for war. Initially it established its local Auxiliary Fire Service, Home Guard and Air Raid Precautions to defend against an expected enemy invasion.

It then supported the allied invasion in 1944 by becoming an important US Quartermasters Stores railway bridgehead.

The Event Manager, Andy Elliott, said: "Initially it was on a 'Stop Line' and anti tank obsta-



■ THE Glamorgan Home Guard with Event Manager, Andy Elliott, in the uniform of the Auxiliary Fire Service at Maiden Newton at War in 2010

Photo by Richard Rider

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cles and Pill Blocks were constructed in large numbers. Many of these can still be seen forming a circular defence around the village to create an 'Anti-Tank Island'.

"If the German invasion, 'Operation Sea Lion', had taken place then Maiden Newton would have seen action as the axis forces were due to land in Lyme Bay and progress along the railway to Maiden Newton on their way to Bristol.

"Maiden Newton at War sets out to remember the events of the 1940s and enables visitors to see how people lived, look at the vehicles and equipment and see both allied and axis forces up close in our battle re-enactments."

Mr Elliott said that this year there will be more than 14 re-enactor groups with civilian and military vehicles, vintage aircraft and tanks amongst many other attractions.



■ PARTICIPANTS at the Dorchester community lunch enjoying a talk from Siobhan Davies from the Cowden Care Farm

Cowden Care Farm topic of community lunch talk

THE work of the Cowden Care Farm was the subject of the talk at last week's Dorchester Community Lunch.

Siobhan Davies, from the charity, explained the group's work, much of it with people with learning disabilities, to an audience of more than 40 people from community organisations in the town.

The lunch took place at the Dorford Centre, offering a chance to network and spread information about the work of county town or-

ganisations.

The next lunch is scheduled for Thursday, June 14th at 12.15pm.

"If anyone in Dorchester or the surrounding parishes is involved in a community group or organisation, or is interested in starting a group, they would be very welcome to attend," said organiser Pauline Trimming from the Dorchester Area Community Partnership.

Lunches, which cost £4, must be booked in advance through Pauline on 07917 811081 or 01305 216403.

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New cancer advice service launched

A NEW advice service for cancer patients has started at the county hospital in Dorchester.

Dorset Macmillan Citizens Advice Service is operating the free cancer advice service on a walk-in basis every Wednesday morning.

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The service includes a specialist Citizens Advice Bureau adviser who will be on hand to offer information on a range of issues including benefit

entitlement, housing, debt, employment, transport and finance. The service will be run by Louise Capaldi-Tallon and Helen Dyer.

Macmillan says that the outreach is open to anyone affected by cancer including patients, their carers and families. It is based at Room 158, Level 1 in the North Wing of the Dorset County Hospital.

Daniel Cadisch, Bureau

Manager, said: "We are delighted to extend the Dorset Macmillan Citizens Advice Service by holding a weekly outreach at Dorset County Hospital.

"One in three of us will have cancer during our lifetime and many need extra help and support at this difficult time. We provide free, impartial, confidential advice to people when they need it most.

"Many people don't realise what help is available in the form of benefits and grants and practical support. We can ensure that they can get that help.

"We are grateful to Dorset County Hospital for letting us use a room there every Wednesday from 9.30am to 12.30pm."

Nici Bauckham, Macmillan Development Manager for Dorset, said: "Cancer is the toughest fight most of us will ever face. Dealing with the emotional impact of a Cancer diagnosis is only part of it, the

impact on ones finances can be just as devastating especially if the patient is the main earner in a family. This service expansion couldn't come at a better time.

"The Dorset team is already reaching many patients and their families and this outreach service at Dorset County Hospital is ideally placed for the local patients."

Anyone who wishes to know more or would like support can drop in on a Wednesday morning at the hospital, contact the service by email on macmillan@dorchester-cabnet.org.uk or call 08454 900042.

■ **DORSET** Macmillan Citizens Advice Service started in 2010 and covers most of the county.

The project is funded by Macmillan Cancer Support and uses Citizens Advice Bureau expertise.

In its first year it saw 353 clients and gained nearly £1,077,000 for them mostly through benefits, grants and other payments.



■ **DORSET** Macmillan Citizens Advice Service advisers Louise (left) and Helen (right) outside Dorset County Hospital

Quiz for bike challenge

A QUIZ night is being held in the Baker's Arms pub later in the month to raise money for a local man's bike ride from London to Paris.

Tim Gudgion will complete the 240-mile ride in June, hoping to raise £1,400 or more for Amnesty International.

The quiz, on Thursday, March 22nd, is scheduled to start at 8pm with tickets costing £7.50 to include chilli con carne or vegetable curry plus a pint of bitter or glass of wine.

The quiz will feature general knowledge questions with a first prize of £20, a second prize of £10 and a third prize of two bottles of wine, donated by the Baker's Arms.

Places can be booked by calling Tim Gudgion on 07788-654456.

Tim is also asking for donations via his Just Giving webpage: www.justgiving.com/tim-london-to-paris-cycle-ride.

Items needed to jog memories

A DORCHESTER nursing home is appealing for donations of items from the past to help jog memories for some of its older residents.

Maiden Castle House, in Gloucester Road, is asking for help with the gift, or loan, of items which may spark memories of the past.

The objects can be old items which might have been used in and around the home decades ago; items of clothing, old posters and photographs, records, books or even kitchen utensils, anything which could be used in conversation and to encourage residents to talk about their past. The home uses the objects for residents meeting in groups, or for individuals who may be feeling lonely.

Activities organiser Jenny Webster said the items were used to promote discussion and memory and most found the sessions helpful.

Maiden Castle House can be reached on 01305 251661 or items could be dropped into reception at 12-14 Gloucester Road, Dorchester.

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REAL TIME INFORMATION

Preparing You

HMRC have confirmed that the Real Time Information (RTI) system will go ahead as planned. RTI is designed to improve the operation of Pay As You Earn (PAYE): For a small number of employers this means the new system will commence from April 2012, with a full migration to RTI by all employers before October 2013.

What is RTI?

RTI is the new system for reporting pay, tax, NI and other details direct to HMRC every time an employee is paid, rather than at year end as it happens now.

RTI is being implemented to reduce the number of coding errors, to allow HMRC to chase late payments more effectively and to replace the stressful end of year P35 submission. RTI will also be a key factor in the introduction of Universal Credits, which is the biggest overhaul of the benefits system since the 1940s.

So far HMRC has identified over 100 potential pieces of information to be transmitted over the RTI programme and roughly 80% of these are directly relevant to most employers. However as the RTI system is still under development the final list may be longer.

What does RTI mean for your business?

RTI will require employers to transmit details of payments, deductions and other details, along with additional information including number of hours worked, via the internet using the Government Gateway or Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). The preferred BACS Channel is still under review.

As part of the migration employers will have to go through a process called 'Payroll Alignment'. This is a process to make sure that the data held by the employer and the data held by HMRC is in agreement.

The precise alignment submission will depend on the individual employers' circumstances, but for small – medium employers this will be a Full Payment Submission (FPS). Details of all employees, current and leavers in the tax year, including full name, address, date of birth and possibly passport details.

These changes will have a big impact on small employers to ensure that they meet with the new requirements. Commercial software developers are busy updating their payroll packages to comply with all HMRC's stringent conditions; this will inevitably lead to an increase in software charges.

This is not something that can be ignored or left until the last minute, it requires forward planning. Improving your payroll data quality is vital for a successful transition to RTI. Data quality problems are caused by holding the incorrect information about an individual.

We anticipate that this new system will be difficult for many small employers to comply with and consequently they will be forced to outsource their payroll function.

Why outsource payroll?

Outsourcing your payroll can often work out to be a more cost effective way of operating the PAYE system. It will remove the need to purchase software and stationery.

For more information please look at the HMRC website at www.hmrc.gov.uk/rti/index.htm.

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Music for youth

ACTOR Martin Clunes will narrate for the Dorset Chamber Orchestra's "Music For Youth" event at St Mary's Church, Dorchester on Saturday (March 10th).

The 4pm performance will include Delius, The First Cuckoo in Spring; Respighi and the World Premiere of The Birds and Sharma/Baker - Buzzard or Kestrel as well as solos by young artists.

Tickets for the event are £11 in advance from Harmony Music, Trinity Street, Dorchester or by calling 01202 765397.

The Music for Youth events started in 2004, aimed particularly at younger people, with the object of inspiring them to enjoy music.

Martin Clunes, who lives near Beaminster, is one of the orchestra's Patrons and has taken part in several productions including Peter and the Wolf and Tubby the Tuba but in more recent years has acted as storyteller for an on-going series of world premieres. Music by Liz Sharma and words by Richard Baker have provided entertainments such as Pass the Baton and Dave the Musical Caveman and this year, 'Buzzard or Kestrel'.

Spring fair for hospice

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust is holding a Spring Fayre on Saturday, March 17th at the Joseph Weld Hospice in Herrington Road, Dorchester.

The event will feature a range of stalls, including homemade cakes, crafts, garden items, teddy bear stall and an Easter egg tombola. Entry is free with the event open from 10am – 1pm.

Matt Smith, Community Fundraiser said: "We are hoping for great support from the local community to help us raise vital funds through this event. There is something for everyone. People can even enjoy a traditional cream tea in the hospice conservatory or on the patio area."

Refreshments will be available.

The Weldmar Hospicecare Trust cares for patients with cancer and other progressive conditions, such as motor neurone disease, who require specialist help. All services are provided free of charge.

Capturing 2012 for future generations

STUDENTS from Thomas Hardy School have been presented with a time capsule which is to be buried at the new Dorchester Sports Centre.

The new sports centre is being developed by West Dorset District Council in partnership with Dorset County Council and Thomas Hardy School.

Students from year nine are now taking part in a competition, being run by the school's history department, to decide which items should be put inside the capsule.

The winning ideas will be decided by members of staff from the history department.

The time capsule has been supplied by the construction company Leadbitter Group, who have been carrying out the building work at the site.

It is planned that the capsule will be buried under the paved area at the entrance of the new sports centre at a ceremony in April.

Leader of WDDC, Councillor Robert Gould said: "This is an excellent idea which will allow local young people to take part in the opening of this fantastic new sports centre in Dorchester. A time capsule



SOME of the year nine students from Thomas Hardy School who are taking part in the competition pictured with (back row, left to right) Leadbitter Group's project manager for the Dorchester Sports Centre Malcolm Jones, Leader of WDDC Councillor Robert Gould and head teacher of Thomas Hardy School Mike Foley

is a great way to give future generations a snapshot of life in 2012 and the excitement surrounding the opening of this top-class sports facility for the local community."

Head teacher of Thomas Hardy School, Mike Foley said: "We are delighted to be involved in this project which marks another exciting stage in the development of the site."

"The time capsule gives students an opportunity to consider what is important in their community and to leave a legacy for future generations."

Malcolm Jones, Leadbitter Group's project manager for the Dorchester Sports Centre, said: "We are honoured to participate in the time capsule project. It's been a pleasure for everyone on our team to get to know our client, the local community and the staff and students of Thomas Hardy School while constructing the new Dorchester Sports Centre."

"We hope that future generations who open the time capsule will see the excitement, anticipation and commitment that has surrounded this new facility."

Work on the £8million Dorchester Sports Centre began in October 2010 and is on track to be completed by spring 2012. The new centre on Coburg Road will provide first-class swimming and fitness facilities, including a six lane swimming pool with spectator gallery, a learner pool, 60-station fitness suite, dance studio, changing village and improved car parking.

The facilities will be used both by local schools and the community and will be open to the public all day, every day.

Community lecture

THE final Thomas Hardy School community lecture of the academic year will look at the astronomical evidence into Mayan claims that the world will end in 2012.

The speaker, at what the school hopes won't be the final community lecture, will be Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell.

After completing a physics degree at Glasgow University Dame Jocelyn went to Cambridge to complete a research degree in radio astronomy. While there she inadvertently discovered pulsars (pulsating radio stars).

Her lecture, in the school theatre, will be presented at 7pm on Monday, March 26th.

During it she will look at the ancient Mayan calendar and claims that the end of the world in 2012, looking at how the end of the world came about.

Admission to the talk is by ticket only available from School Reception up to the day of the lecture itself.

Plant talk

DORSET supporters of Plant Heritage are holding a talk on "Unusual and Long-Blooming Plants" at Kingston Maurward College conference room this evening, Thursday, March 8th at 7.30pm.

Visitors are welcome to the talk for a donation of £2.50.

The evening will include refreshments, a raffle, a seasonal plant identification display and plant sales. For further information about the group, or the event, please contact Peter Flannery on 01305 772533.

Film screening

THE film, Bend it Like Beckham, will be shown at Age UK in Dorchester on March 18th.

The screening includes a choice of tea, coffee, juice, sherry or wine and nibbles, all for £2.50.

It is part of the charity's own film season at its headquarters in Prince of Wales Road.

The next film will be Educating Rita on April 15th. For more information contact Hilary on 01305 269444 or e-mail forums@accdorchester.org

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JODI PICOULT - Lone Wolf

Published by Hodder & Stoughton in hardback and eBook on 28 February 2012, priced £18.99.

YOU could say Luke Baxter was a driven man – driven to explore wolves and their way of life – at the expense of his family. He did not consider the impact of leaving his wife and two small children behind when he walked into the wilderness to see if he could become part of a pack. He did not foresee his marriage dissolving when he returned, two years later – initially unable to pick up again the ways of normal human existence. And he could not have known that his tireless translations of wolf thinking would cause such a problem through his last days on earth.

After the fallout of the divorce, Edward, Luke and Georgie's son, left home abruptly and disappeared – eventually letting Georgie alone know he was safe in Thailand. His sister, Cara, felt utterly abandoned, and when her mother started a second family, she felt further alienated, and left them to live again with her father near his wolf reserve. She was with him in the car when they crashed, late one night. She suffered a broken shoulder, but Luke's brain stem was damaged, and the doctor's gave him no hope of recovery.

Georgie called Edward, now in mid-twenties, home, and as next of kin, he assumed responsibility for decision making. Cara, at 17 and still a minor, was panicked at

Nature has a wonderful way of making you face reality. Death isn't an individual choice. It all comes back to what the family needs. Which is why, when you're a wolf, you live each day like it's the only one you have. LUKE

the thought of losing her father and distressed that her brother could suddenly arrive and having ignored them all for years, start being head of the family.

When Edward discovers Luke's desire to be an organ donor, and acting on the doctor's opinion that his father was brain dead, he makes the decision to terminate

Luke's life. In wolf society he knows Luke would be allowed to die. He also knows his organs will allow others to live. Cara, burdened with hidden guilt, immediately finds a lawyer and takes Edward to court for attempted murder.

Family secrets, tensions, life and death – and the very natural philosophy of wolves – work their way through Jodi Picoult's new tense and emotional novel. The dreadful decision of whether or not to terminate a life is at the heart of the story, and the

very real and ordinary people who have to make that decision will find a resonance in us all.

JODI PICOULT received an AB in creative writing from Princeton University and a master's degree in education from Harvard. She is the author of eighteen novels including My Sister's Keeper (now a major film starring Cameron Diaz and Abigail Breslin), Nineteen Minutes, Change of Heart and Handle with Care. She lives in New Hampshire with her husband and three children. Learn more at www.jodipicoult.co.uk.



New charity shop needs donations

A NEW charity shop for Julia's House is appealing for volunteers and donations of goods for the opening of its new Dorchester shop towards the end of the month.

Organisers are holding recruitment days in the King's Arms for the new store, at the southern end of South Street.

The volunteer recruiting sessions will be held at the Kings Arms in High Street East on Friday, March 9th from 9.30am to noon and on Saturday, March 17th from 11am-2pm.

If anyone would like further information but is unable to make any of the sessions please phone Julia's House on 01202 607400.

Meanwhile items are also required for sale. The charity is looking for everything from clothing and accessories to bric-a-brac and furniture.

"It's a large shop so we'll have room to store much bigger items - and we can arrange to collect them, too," said Retail Assistant Nuala Wood.

"As we're starting from scratch we going to need an awful lot. I hope people will have good rummage and dig out some nice unwanted items to get the ball rolling."

Donations can be dropped off at the South Street shop or any of the charity's other shops.

To arrange collection of bigger items and furniture, please phone 01202 607400.

Coffee morning

THE Dorchester and District Bible Society Action Group are holding a coffee morning and sale in the United Church, South St, Dorchester this Saturday, March 10th, between 9.45 and 11.45am.

Hospital assessment scheme could be rolled out nationally

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A TELEPHONE assessment scheme at the Dorset County Hospital could be adopted nationally.

The project at the Dorchester hospital has reduced waiting times for patients referred to the county hospital's colorectal service.

Colorectal Consultant Nurse Harriet Wright introduced the telephone assessment service in 2008 and has since reduced waits for non-urgent colorectal referrals from up to 13 weeks to two weeks.

The scheme has been so successful it has attracted the attention of Professor Sir Mike Richards, the National Cancer Director.

He is keen to work with Harriet to take this initiative further at a national level.

Harriet said: "Bowel symptoms are very common... We decided we needed a fairer system so all patients referred to us were seen quickly."

"We now ring patients within seven working days of them being referred by their GP to assess what investigation is required and book their appointment there and then at a time to suit them."

"It means that patients don't have the inconvenience and worry of coming in for a hospital appointment simply to be assessed and given another appointment to come back for tests."

"Most of our colorectal cancers are diagnosed through this route now so this is a major improvement in preventing late diagnoses."

Rachael Rowe Dorset Cancer Network Lead Manager said "Bowel cancer affects 33,000 people every year so it is very important that people know what symptoms to look for as early diagnosis can greatly improve survival."



■ COLORECTAL Consultant Nurse Harriet Wright

Anyone who has blood in their poo or loose poo for more than three weeks should go and have a chat with their doctor.

"There is no need to be embarrassed and it may be nothing to worry about - but it could save someone's life," she said.

Join the Big Event

PARENTS and carers of children and young people with additional needs or disability are being invited to a special event at Kingston Maurward on Monday, March 12th.

Organised by the Dorset Parent-Carer Council the Big Event will focus on activities and organisations which cater for young people with additional needs.

From 10am until 2pm parents and carers will be able to meet staff from the Early Years, the Transitions Teams and discover what Xchange can offer.

Organisations invited to talk or attend the event include - Artz+ Sportz+, Swifts and Boss, Blandford Opportunity Group, CAMHS, Cool2Care, Coping with Chaos/Orchid Payroll, Dorset Youth Association, Dorchester Opportunity Group, Remix, the Family Information Service, Hearing and Vision Support, Learning Disabilities Partnership Board, MEN-CAP, Poole College, Riding for the Disabled, Sheiling School, Treats Toy Library, the Wessex Autistic Society, YMCA Befriending Scheme, YMCA Gymnastics, Everycare, Rylands Farm, Diverse Abilities Plus, Dorset Advocacy.

Stop smoking campaign

MAYOR of Dorchester, Councillor Tess James, will be lending her support to a stop smoking campaign in the coming days.

She will be at the county hospital on National No Smoking Day on March 14th.

SmokeStop advisors will be available in the hospital's Damers Restaurant to offer information and advice about the support on offer locally for anyone who would like to give up smoking.

Hospital wards and departments are joining in the day with displays and information for patients, visitors and staff, and trust board members will be walking around the hospital grounds spreading the message that Dorset County Hospital is a smoke-free site.

For more information about support offered locally to quit smoking you can visit www.dorsetsmokestop.co.uk.

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Top fundraisers

WEYMOUTH | STAFF at The Co-operative Food store in Weymouth are celebrating coming top of the charts in their feat to raise funds for Mencap, a leading charity that supports young people with learning disabilities.

The team managed to bank £3,257 for the charity by organising a range of events and collections throughout the year, and when the cash was counted at the end of the UK-wide partnership, the Weymouth store was revealed to be the highest earner in the area.

Every penny raised will be used to launch 'Inspire Me' – a new project to provide activities and training that will give young people with a learning disability the chance to learn new skills and gain access to employment and volunteering opportunities in their communities.

Justin Edwards, Operations Manager for The Co-operative Food in the Weymouth area, said: "The teams in my area have done a fantastic job putting the fun into fundraising, and I'd like to congratulate them all. However, special thanks goes to the team at Weymouth who have shown commitment and dedication to come out on top in our local charts."

"None of this would have been possible without the continued support of our customers, so we must extend our appreciation to them, and assure them that their donations will make a real tangible difference to the lives of young people involved in the Inspire Me project."

UK wide, The Co-operative Group has raised over £7million during its year-long charity partnership with Mencap, and its sister charity ENABLE Scotland.

Ready to offer advice in 20 languages

WEST DORSET | THE OLYMPIC Ambassador programme is getting ready to offer a truly international welcome to people from around the world visiting for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Volunteers for the programme have been recruited from a wide range of backgrounds and this is reflected in the number of different languages ambassadors will be able to use to greet visitors to the area.

Of the 500 recruited so far, more than 80 will be able to offer information to visitors in a second or third language. A total of 20 dif-

ferent languages so far will be available including Japanese, German, Norwegian and British Sign Language.

Ambassadors will steward, marshal, give information and offer advice to visitors at key locations within Weymouth and Portland including the 2012 Live Site on Weymouth Beach.

Weymouth and Portland partnerships spokesman Councillor Howard Legg said: "We have been so impressed with the standard of our Ambassadors so far and are thrilled that we are able to offer so many dif-

ferent languages to people coming to Weymouth and Portland.

"These language skills will also be really useful for the international media. One of our ambassadors will be showing a journalist from French newspaper Le Figaro around the area in the next few weeks and a lot more tasks of this nature are expected throughout the summer."

Angela Garcia, who has signed up to be an Ambassador, said: "Of all the overseas visitors to Weymouth and Portland during the Olympics and Paralympics, many are ex-

pected to come from Spanish speaking countries. Argentina, Guatemala, Mexico and Chile are already registered for the sailing events and other Latin American countries may still be added to the list of competitors.

"As a Spanish speaker myself, I welcome the chance to become involved as an ambassador."

"I can assist those visitors who may need help – perhaps information about our area or just practical advice on how to use our services. If they don't speak English I can answer all their questions in their own language."

Providing care with dignity

WEYMOUTH | THE STAFF on the Chalbury Unit at Weymouth Community Hospital celebrated Dignity Action Day by selling homemade cakes from their authentic 'Arkwrights' old fashioned village shop.

'Arkwrights' is the brainchild of Nursing Assistant Jason Morrison, the shop sells old fashioned items with old fashioned personal attention and time for a chat, never losing sight of the fact that the customer really does come first.

"The skilled nursing staff understand this winning combination and recognise that the patient is the valued customer, each with their individual shopping list of needs."

"Funds raised from the shop support popular activities for patients such as cheese and wine tasting, cream teas or a boxed set of popular DVDs for a movie afternoon," said Jane Abbott, Clinical Team Lead, Chalbury Unit, Weymouth Community Hospital

Weymouth Community Hospital's Chalbury Unit is an inpatient assessment unit for people aged over 65 living with an organic mental health problems, many of whom are experiencing more advanced stages of dementia.

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■ AUDREY Baker behind the counter at 'Arkwrights'

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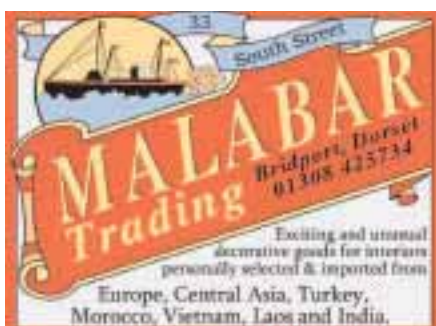
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▲ Blue and white cotton dhurries.



MALABAR Trading has some exciting new products this Spring and they are beginning to arrive in the shop. The blue and white dhurries, which are hand-woven in India, will transform any space. They are in a variety of sizes and designs. There is also a wide selection of colourful Turkish kilims and Afghan runners.

There are also new white cotton and organdy hand embroidered curtains. The embroidery, known as Chikan, is with white thread and has been practised in Lucknow, India, since the time of Mughal rule. There is a selection of new designs in suzani cushion covers and also new blockprint cushion covers.

During March more Italian marquetry frames will be arriving and also more of the ever popular Japanese blue and white bowls. As always there are many interesting and unusual items to discover at Malabar Trading!

Bella Kitchens, Bathrooms & Bedrooms

Quality first for recession-busting Dorset business.

IN an age of mass production, you could be forgiven for thinking that real quality is a thing of the past. But nothing could be further from the truth for market leading Bella Kitchens. The family run business operates from prestigious new premises on the Poundbury development near Dorchester and their original base in Weymouth. In the current economic climate it is unusual to see expansion, but Bella are certainly bucking the trend. Building on the successes of its first showroom the company has gone from strength to strength, by focussing on its core philosophy of high quality products, sensible pricing and exemplary customer service. With combined experience covering decades in kitchen and bathroom planning and fitting, the

team are best placed to help any customer select a design that will significantly enhance their property.

From its stunning showrooms Bella provide an impressive range of both kitchens and bathrooms. They also operate as one of the very few Keller Design Centres in the UK. The Dutch manufacturer Keller Kitchens has produced quality kitchens for over 65 years, utilising the latest equipment and 'just in time' production techniques to offer exceptional quality and design. Darren Corbridge, Director at Bella said, "This partnership has worked very well, both I and our customers have been hugely satisfied with the Keller products". Praise indeed from a businessman with over 20 years' experience in the industry. Bella are also approved to

offer the exclusive range of Gorenje appliances, combining fantastic good looks with the latest in technology.

The company are keen to keep moving forward and are now looking to expand into a more extensive geographical area. Darren added, "We see this as a natural and logical step, to offer our services to a

quality is high and costs are controlled. For Darren there is no other way to ensure their valuable reputation is maintained and the customer gets exactly what they want.

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RECENT Government announcements have now firmed up the future of Solar PV Feed in Tariff's (FIT). In the short term the scheme will be running till April paying 21p a generated unit until 1st April. After this date although the 21p rate will continue till July, you'll need to obtain an EPC certificate declaring your premises are at Energy Band D or better to qualify for the full 21p FIT.

The possible 3rd March deadline (which has yet to be ratified to earn a higher rate) is soon to pass, but you still have a window of opportunity enabling you to have a Solar PV system and incredibly low costs compared with only a few months ago! Solar panel prices are continuing to fall, and further price drops are anticipated right through the year.

Right now is a great time to get your system installed before requiring an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) survey, which may require you to need further insulation works before you would qualify

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Rudge Renewables in Seaton, are able to offer advice based on over 5 years of experience installing Solar PV, Wind Turbines plus an expertise in battery backed systems for

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WEST DORSET | RESIDENTS between the ages of 40-74 are being invited to give up 20 minutes of their time to help minimise their risk of future health issues.

NHS Dorset, South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust and Dorset Cancer Network are holding a series of free health check events across the county including Bucky-Doo Square in Bridport on March 13th and New Bond Street in Weymouth on March 29th.

Resources and information on leading a healthy lifestyle will be available for people outside the 40-74 age range.

Each health check takes about 20 minutes with individuals being asked some simple questions about their health and lifestyle along with having their height, weight and blood pressure measured. A simple blood test will also be available to check their cholesterol level.

In most cases results are available at the same appointment.

The team carrying out

the checks are highly trained clinicians and if appropriate, are able to signpost people to local support or healthcare.

NHS Dorset cardiovascular disease prevention lead Sarah Morton said: "By giving up 20 minutes now people could avoid having to spend time at their GP surgery, clinic or hospital in the future. The checks are quick and simple so we would urge people not to be scared,

just come along, meet the team and get yourself checked out."

Martyn Callow, a clinician from the South Western Ambulance Service is part of the team delivering these checks and said "Everybody is at risk of developing heart disease, stroke, diabetes or kidney disease.

"The good news is that these conditions can often be prevented even if you have a family history.

"By having your free

health check you will be better prepared for the future and be able to take steps to maintain or improve your health and indeed your life style."

Checks will run between 10am and 3pm and will be available on a first come first served basis. For those people who are not able to be seen by the team on the day, information will be made available on other local venues which offer the service.

Fly tipping but no court cases

MORE than 560 incidents of fly tipping have been reported in West Dorset – yet not one resulted in a prosecution.

Latest figures from DEFRA show 450 reported incidents across West Dorset and 115 in Weymouth and Portland.

Of those 390 were investigated in West Dorset and just three in Weymouth and Portland.

None of those investigations resulted in court action.

A levels back at Weymouth College

WEYMOUTH | A LEVELS are back on offer at Weymouth College from September 2012 as part of a new 'Enhanced Vocational Programme' which means vocational BTEC qualifications can be studied alongside the appropriate A Level.

The mix of these qualifications will look more attractive to potential employers and put students on the right path to apply for a university place.

By choosing an A level which compliments their chosen BTEC vocational qualification students can focus on a particular career pathway whilst developing the skills required for both vocational and academic qualifications; this in turn

gives more options when applying to university.

Dr Ross Kay, vice principal and director of learning at the college said: "Weymouth College has always been proud of its A Level performance and is excited about increasing the choices that meet the needs of changing jobs and university requirements. Many young people will be worried about going to university and asking themselves with all the costs - will it be worth it? By offering students an 'Enhanced Vocational' option (A Levels with BTECs), students gain UCAS points to go to university but can also choose to go into work or an apprenticeship."

There are currently a choice of

seven A Levels which can be studied, these subjects perfectly complement vocational study and are desirable for progression onto a range of university courses: Biology, Maths (Pure & Mechanics), Psychology, English Language, Geography, Art and Business Studies. The college is planning to work in partnership with local schools to deliver the courses to increase the options open to local students.

If you are interested in the 'Enhanced Vocational Programme' and would like more information please visit www.weymouth.ac.uk or call 01305 208808 or email igs@weymouth.ac.uk if you would like a guidance appointment.



■ LEFT are NHS Dorset cardiovascular disease prevention lead Sarah Morton, South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust Dorset community engagement officer Simon Steger, Trust HART paramedic Damian Nineham, Trust stakeholder relationship manager Martyn Callow and Dorset Cancer Network health inclusion project manager Sarah Austin.

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Do something different

DORSET | YOUNG people across Dorset are being offered the chance to do something different over their summer holidays this year.

Students in year 11 at school are being given a chance to learn some new skills, meet new people and make a difference to local communities thanks to the National Citizen Service (NCS).

Each young person who signs up for NCS with Dorset Youth Association (DYA) will take part in a fun but challenging first week residential at PGL, Barton Hall in Devon. The following week, on a local residential, they will be asked to open their minds and using teamwork, communication and leadership skills, plan a social action project to support local communities.

The next three weeks will see the young people carrying out their social action program alongside staff from DYA and support partners.

Project Manager at DYA, Tony Armstrong said: "National Citizen Service programme is more than just volunteering, there's much more to it than that. It is helping to change the perceptions of young people today. Young people want to be seen as active participants in the community. More than that though they are helping themselves, building their own confidence and developing skills and showing commitment; exactly what employers and providers of training and further education are looking for in a young person"

The programme will be run over two waves with the first starting on July 9th and the second on August 13th. Young people will be invited to taster sessions over the next few months to get a flavour of NCS 2012 and to meet fellow volunteers and staff.

For more information call the Dorset Youth NCS team on 01305 757027.

Calling all artists - charity needs new logo

DORSET | THOSE with a talent for design are being asked to come up with a new logo for the Dorset Autistic Spectrum Condition Partnership Board.

The new umbrella organisation is made up of groups across Dorset working together to improve life for people with Autistic Spectrum Conditions (ASC), including Aspergers Syndrome.

It is believed that about 6,000 people across Dorset have Autism or Aspergers Syndrome.

Allyson Evans, who works at Dorset County Council, said: "The Partnership Board works to raise awareness of the condition and make sure that the people affected are involved in decisions that concern them.

"The board is made up of representatives from NHS Dorset, local authorities, voluntary organisations and adults with ASC and family carers, who work in partnership to improve services for people with Autism or Aspergers syndrome.

"This includes advice and assistance with regard to housing, jobs and care services, and generally ensuring that across Dorset, services are good and accessible for all.

"We are looking for a powerful yet easily reproduced logo to use in a range of publications and visual displays that will help raise awareness to give people with Autistic Spectrum Conditions a stronger voice

across the county."

The competition is open to all residents across Dorset and the Partnership Board will choose the best design in May, when the prize will be awarded to the winner.

Designs should be sent in as JPEG or PNG files and the original should be about A4 size.

The logo will be used in a much smaller size as well, so it also needs to look good when it is about 2cm square.

Finished designs can be emailed to allyson.evans@dorsetcc.gov.uk by April 30th.

Test your smoke alarm once a week

DORSET | A SMOKE alarm without batteries is "a useless piece of plastic" - that is the message from the manager of the Community Safety Task Teams based at Dorset Fire and Rescue Service HQ, Poundbury fire station.

Manager Karen Adams leads a team of firefighters and officers who are taking DFRS's safety message out into the community, with a particular focus on educating vulnerable and hard to reach groups.

Karen Adams said: "When someone dies in a fire it is always upsetting. At Dorset Fire and Rescue Service, our aim is to reduce all preventable fire deaths to zero. We want to see every home in Dorset with a smoke alarm and that means testing your smoke alarms every week.

"With the clock change fast approaching, when you go around your home changing the time on all your clocks, take the time to test your smoke alarms too."

She added: "We provide a free home safety check service to those in our at risk groups.

"Firefighters and DFRS staff are able to visit residents in their homes and fit or replace smoke alarms, advise on the use of candles, unattended cooking, electric blankets, overloading sockets, chimneys, low energy light bulbs and much more. This is all free of charge with the aim of encouraging people to think about fire safety in the home."

Advice from DFRS staff includes considering your night-time routine - close doors, keep an escape route

clear, and check you know where the door key is so you can let yourself out.

"Smoke alarms should be tested once a week to make sure they are still working and in good condition. A smoke alarm without a battery is useless piece of plastic," said Karen.

To request a Free Home Safety Check phone 01305 252600 or use the new online form found at www.dorset-fire.gov.uk.

Dorset food festival returns this summer

DORSET | THE Dorset 2012 Food Festival returns this summer, celebrating all the county has to offer in local food and produce.

The event will be held at Queen Mother's Square, Poundbury on the weekend of 4th-5th August.

The festival will combine a farmers' and producers' market with the additional attractions of live

music from local performers.

A large screen will be erected in the square where visitors will be able to watch the day's major events.

The festival will be a great showcase for Poundbury and for Dorset's food and drink producers, chefs, artists, craftspeople, makers and musicians.

"It's all about Dorset," said Simon Conibear, development director for the Duchy of Cornwall, who is chairman of the festival organising committee.

The festival will take place from 10am-11pm on Saturday and 11am-6pm on Sunday over the 4th-5th August weekend. Entry is free.

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Bartle Pye Commercial is

an independent property consultancy providing specialist advice for the commercial occupier, investor and developer across the region. Matthew Pye was a national property and business acquisition consultant for a large commercial company, moving to commercial agency before founding Bartle Pye. Jan Merriott MRICS is a

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This unique concept is the vision of owner Sally Dixon, who has live overseas and travelled extensively throughout Africa and Asia, bringing a wonderful mix of world flavours and traditional coffee shop values to Dorchester. The Loft's Sup-

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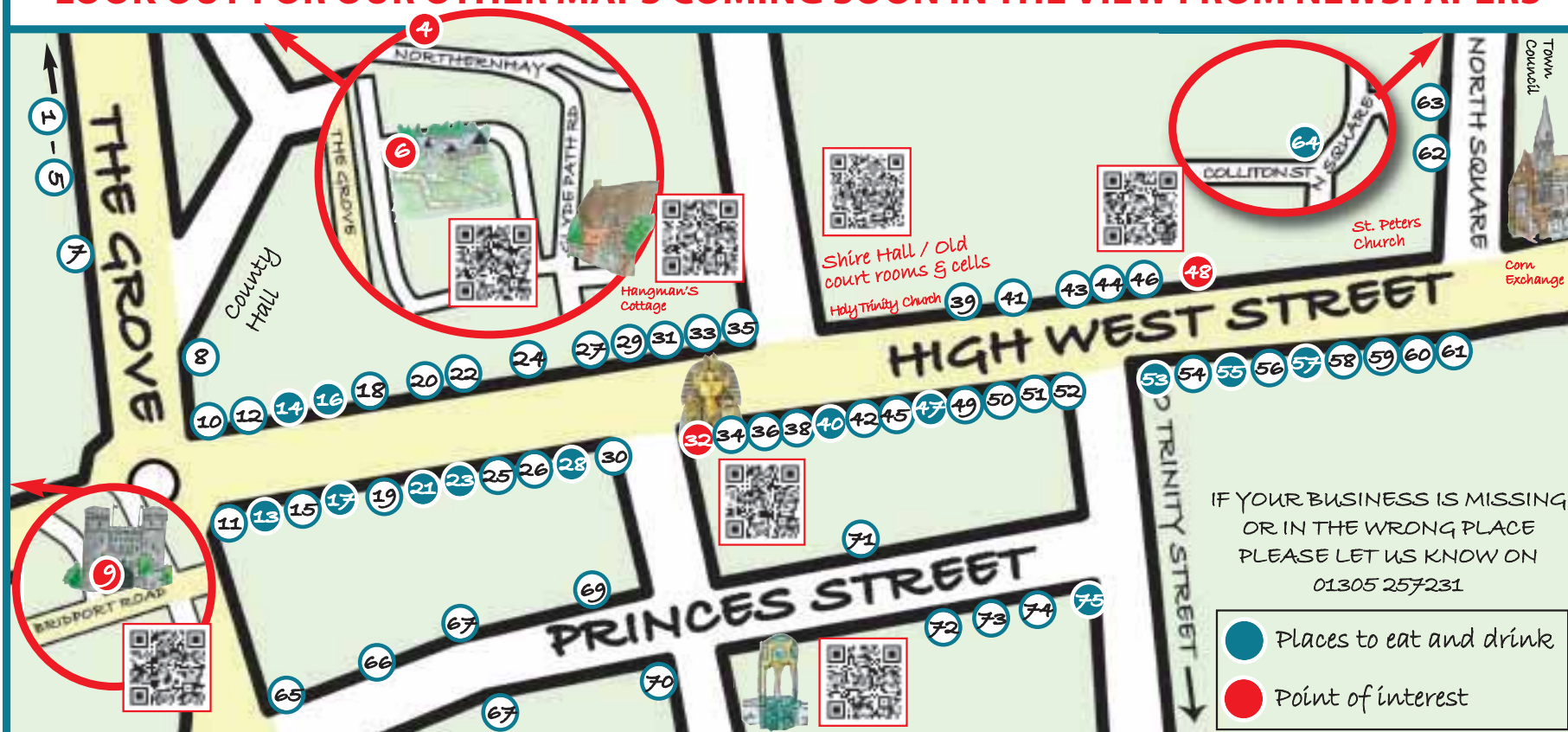


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CINEMA LISTINGS

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Wanderlust ¹⁵

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Plus Sat & Sun: 11.00, 13.30

Safe House ¹⁵

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Daily: 14.00, 17.00, 20.00

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Daily: 15.00, 18.00, 21.00

Plus Sat & Sun: 12.00

Bel Ami ¹⁵

Daily: 15.40, 18.10, 20.40

Plus Sat: 13.00, Plus Sun:

10.40, 13.10

Journey 2: The Mysterious Island in 2D ^{PG} Sat & Sun: 11.00, 13.10

Happy Feet 2 in 2D ^U

Sat: 10.00am

Mr Popper's Penguins ^{PG}

Sat: 10.10am

Kung Fu Panda 2 in 2D ^{PG}

Sat: 10.20am

The Raven ¹⁵

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Daily: 18.15, Plus Tue, Wed: 13.00

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Daily: 17.20, plus Sat & Sun: 13.50

View 2 Cinema

This week's big screen releases

BEL AMI ¹⁵

BEL Ami chronicles Georges Duroy's (Robert Pattinson) rise to power in Paris via his manipulation of the city's most influential and wealthy women. Also stars Christina Ricci, Uma Thurman and Kristin Scott Thomas.



THE RAVEN ¹⁵

A FICTIONALISED account of the last days of Edgar Allan Poe's (John Cusack) life, in which the poet pursues a serial killer whose murders mirror those in the writer's stories. Also stars Luke Evans, Brendan Coyle and Alice Eve.



CLEANSKIN ¹⁵

EWAN (Sean Bean) is a Secret Service Agent faced with the task of pursuing and eliminating a suicide bomber Ash (Abhin Galeya) and his terrorist cell, whilst Ash wrestles with his conscience and reflects on his journey to terrorism.

THE DECOY BRIDE ^{12A}

WHEN the world's media descend on the remote Scottish island where a Hollywood actress is attempting to get married, a local girl is hired as a decoy bride to put the paparazzi off the scent.

Stars David Tennant, Kelly Macdonald, Alice Eve and Dylan Moran.

JOHN CARTER ^{12A}

TRANSPLANTED to Mars, a Civil War vet discovers a lush planet inhabited by 12-foot tall barbarians. Finding himself a prisoner of these creatures, he escapes, only to encounter a princess who is in desperate need of a savior. Stars Taylor Kitsch, Samantha Morton, Willem Dafoe and Dominic West.

A TRIP TO THE SECRET GARDEN

ANGEL Exit Theatre present a new adaptation to celebrate the centenary of Hodgson Burnett's much-loved classic, when they perform 'The Secret Garden' at Bridport Arts Centre.

Spoilt orphan, Mary Lennox, is plucked from the bright vibrancy of India and transplanted to a big old house brimming with secrets on the grey Yorkshire moors.

As the wind wuthers around the mysterious manor, Mary battles with loneliness and encounters locked doors, a curious robin, a gruff gardener, and strange cries echoing through the house.

A hidden key unlocks the secret garden, but what will this unlock in Mary? And will she be able to help her grieving uncle and whoever is waiting down the corridor?

Unearthing the dark heart of this classic tale, Angel Exit celebrate the centenary of Frances Hodgson Burnett's The Secret Garden with a brand new production presented in their own rich visual style, blending ensemble storytelling with striking physicality, beautiful puppets, live singing and an original soundtrack.

"Theatrical invention is everywhere...visually exciting throughout, this production never loses the quality of a life-changing adventure story" - THE STAGE (on Moonfleet)

The Secret Garden will be performing at Winfrith Village Hall on Saturday (March 10th) at 6pm - call 01305 852117 for more details; and at Sturminster Newton Exchange on Sunday, (March 11th) at 7pm - call 01258 475137 for more details.



Frozen Planet photographer Doug Allan to give talk in Weymouth

DOUG Allan, a cameraman whose TV credits include Blue Planet, Planet Earth, Life, Human Planet, Ocean Giants and Frozen Planet, will be giving a talk 'Life Behind the Lens' at Weymouth Pavilion on tomorrow (Friday, March 9th).

Join Doug for an unforgettable evening as he takes you up close and personal with the animals that live in the wildest places on earth.

Stories and pictures that will appeal to all ages. Doug's forthcoming book 'Freeze Frame' will be on sale on the night.

For more details call 01305 783 225 or visit www.visitweymout.co.uk

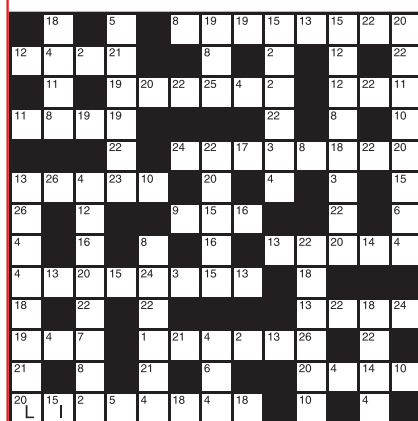


Brain Gym

No.159

Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



1	14
2	15 I
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

- Yet it takes longer if completed without a hitch! (4)
- Distressing changes to a musical (10)
- Reason it out with a foreign girl (8)
- Dance back with a sly look (4)
- Give way concerning a fast time (6)
- Adds up to salt, in a way (6)
- The horses in the racket (6)
- Transfer as token (6)
- Thought I'd half of each (4)
- There's no end to these feline types (4,4)
- A polite refusal (2,5,3)
- At bottom, worthless (4)

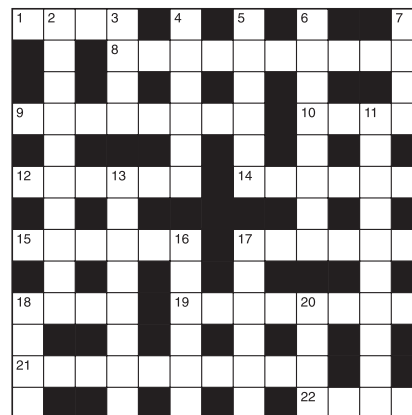
Quick Clues:

Across

- Fling (4)
- Gratification (10)
- Oblique (8)
- Below (4)
- Load (6)
- Threefold (6)
- Bondman (6)
- Banish (6)
- Nil (4)
- Quarter-circle (8)
- Disquiet (10)
- Trial (4)

Down

- Though concerned, possibly resented it (10)
- Return from the choir (4)
- It's more than obvious; it's expressing dissatisfaction (6)
- I'm given a role to communicate (6)
- They make the least and the most effort on the track (8)
- Ruler in somewhat sardonic mood (4)
- Supplies information to ten in broken English (10)
- Yet they could be the happiest inscriptions! (8)
- The village minister holds twins (6)
- Troubles any son will produce (6)
- Travellers may seek them in opposite directions (4)
- A stunning card (4)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Alone; 8 Oratory; 9 Tumbler; 10 Ditto; 12 Accelerate; 15 Leave well; 18 Yacht; 19 Valises; 21 Palaver; 22 Steam. Down: 1 Tastefully; 2 Forms; 3 Reel; 4 Source; 5 Hand-bell; 6 Portray; 11 Open-sesame; 13 Creative; 14 Parcels; 16 Wavers; 17 Aster; 20 Lost.

QUICK - Across: 7 Naive; 8 Elegant; 9 Treadle; 10 Alike; 12 Settlement; 15 Exasperate; 18 Tango; 19 Visitor; 21 Discern; 22 Amiss. Down: 1 Instrument; 2 Miser; 3 Mend; 4 Defeat; 5 Decadent; 6 Mariner; 11 Enterprize; 13 Employed; 14 Earnest; 16 Ravine; 17 Strip; 20 Stay.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

9	5	3	4	7	2	1	8	6
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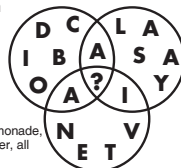
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Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

The letter represented by the question mark is O. Lemonade, cordial, root beer, all soft drinks.



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O'Hooley and Tidow bring 'Fragile' songs to Art Centre

PURVEYORS of chamber folk, O'Hooley & Tidow, are at this moment trying to take in and comprehend the torrent of plaudits and accolades that keep rolling in for their brand new album 'The Fragile' which was released last week. Receiving nothing less than 4 stars across the board, Belinda O'Hooley (The Unthanks) and Heidi Tidow, the 'Chamber Folk duo' as they are described in The Guardian, have received formidable praise from the national press, including Mojo, Uncut and Songlines. Colin Irwin in Mojo describes 'The Fragile' as "plaintive, inviting, disquieting, mysterious, harmonic, austere, beautiful, oblique and sing-along" whilst Mick Houghton for Uncut warns listeners that the album is "not for the faint hearted" adding "The duo's self-written, reflective songs are heightened by stark but beguiling arrangements and their stirring voices". The album is already high up in the Amazon Folk/Songwriter charts due to the volume of advance orders.

It has already received national airplay with Mike Harding of BBC Radio 2's Folk Show describing the songs as "...interesting...deep, quirky and beautiful" whilst Cerys Matthews at BBC 6 Music praised 'The Fragile' as "a marvelous listen...packed full of gems." Saturday March 10th sees the duo performing at Bridport Arts Centre. Fans will recall Belinda & Heidi supported Chumbawamba at their sold out show here a couple of years ago and loved the atmosphere and of course, the beautiful vintage grand piano! New followers to their music can expect an irresistible blend of poignant, thought provoking songs, striking arrangements, sublime harmonies and their infamous cheeky Northern banter.

O'Hooley & Tidow play at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, March 10th from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10/£9/£7/£3 super saver and are available online at www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204



Belinda O'Hooley and Heidi Tidow

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

THE Literary Review Annual Poetry Award was won last year by John Whitworth, a 65-year-old, who, back in the sixties was a friend and flatmate of Robin Cook. John has had nine books of his poems published so far. I like the humour in his verse and I like that he writes about old men like me – even though he is rather younger than I. His winning poem seems to have two titles, either 'Life at Eighty' or 'Self Portrait'.

LIFE AT EIGHTY

This world of dew is but a world of dew. And yet. And yet.
—Basho.

*I like to loaf, I like to laugh; I like to read the Telegraph;
I buy it at the student rate, it tells me of affairs of state;
And on the state I meditate: I am a wise old fellow.*

*I potter in a world of prose; grandchildren tell me how it goes.
They drink and disco at the club; I soak for hours in the tub,
Careen my carcass, scrub-a-dub: I am a hale old fellow.*

*I mutter when I do not shout; in welly boots I splash about;
I walk on rainy afternoons; I dine on cauliflower and prunes,
And never mess my pantaloons: I am a clean old fellow.*

*A television haruspex; I like the violence, hate the sex;
I comb the Oxfam shops for togs; the country's going to
the dogs,*

I chart it all in monologues: I am a stern old fellow.

*The doctor gives me coloured pills to cure me of my
various ills,
My smoker's cough, my writer's stoop, my lecher's eye, my
brewer's droop,*

My belly like a cantaloupe: I am a sad old fellow.

*A world of dew. And yet. And yet a world not easy to forget;
I cannot let it pass me by; I stop and look it in the eye;
And, as you see, I verify: I am a game old fellow.*

John Whitworth says, "I thought a palinode was an ode about something that happened way back, but actually it is an ode where you retract something you said previously, which, by a happy coincidence, still fits."

PALINODE

*I used to like the Rolling Stones. I think
I liked the way they used to shake and shout.
I used to like to dope but now I drink
To cope without the dope I do without.*

*I used to like to hate the middlebrow;
Middle-class-England, middle-of-the-road.
I'd make the very devil of a row;
I was an intellectual little toad.*

*I think I thought I didn't give a damn.
I think a lot of what I thought was crap.
I think the real me, the me I am,
No sweat (you bet)'s a better sort of chap.*

*I used to think I liked what now I never.
I used to like what drives me up the wall.
I used to think I was so bloody clever
And now I never think a bloody-tall.*

As well as writing verse, John has written a handbook on "Writing Poetry" which is both informative and entertaining. In it he opines, "The poetry world is full of backscratching and backbiting. Talent does not rise effortlessly, and rewards do not always go to the most deserving. In this, the poetry world is much like those other worlds – academic, political, business, etc."

I If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

The Melplash Show needs your vote!

THE MELPLASH Show has reached the finals of a national newspaper competition and needs the public vote to earn them the opportunity to win an exclusive media partnership worth thousands of pounds in event publicity.

The competition launched by the Guardian newspaper in a special show-themed issue of the Farmers Guardian, attracted 53 entries from throughout the UK, from the smallest of local shows to some of the largest county events.



GET VOTING | The Melplash Show has a great chance of winning a national media deal with the Farmers Guardian

The Melplash Show which was first held in 1847 and now attracts over 16,000 visitors to the event which is held in late August, has been shortlisted together with the Aylsham Show in East Anglia, Fishguard Agricultural Show in Pembrokeshire, Lancashire's Great Eccleston Show and Hodder Valley Show, Hope Show, in Derbyshire and the Mid Devon Show.

For the Melplash Show to win this national competition the Show needs your vote which you can do by visiting www.farmersguardian.com/your-space/competitions/vote-now-for-your-favourite-show/45087 article before March 23rd.

At the end of the judging period the public vote will be combined with those of three industry judges to decide the overall winner, which will be announced in the March 30th edition of Farmers Guardian.

Editor Emma Penny said: "We were delighted by the volume and quality of entries we have received and would like to say a huge thank you to every society which made the effort to enter. Such a large entry is a great reflection of how important these agricultural shows are in the farming sector."

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Friday 9
Votes for Women
A play reading
1pm. FREE

Saturday 10
The F Word - Debate
1.30pm. FREE

Sunday 11
Women Singers Celebration
12pm. £5 including lunch

Bridport Arts Centre

Cafe & Foyer Exhibition
A showcase of work by young women
9-3.30 March. FREE

O'Hooley and Tidow
7.30pm. £10/£9 members

Claire Harris Late Night Session
10.30pm. £6/£5 members

1 Beach Road
7.30pm. £12/£11

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THURSDAY MARCH 8TH

DORCHESTER: Plant Heritage Dorset Group 'Unusual and Long Blooming Plants', an illustrator talk by the very experience nursery woman and horticultural lecturer Derry Watkins. At 7.30pm in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College. Visitors welcome (£2.50 at the door, students £1). For more details call 01305 772533.

FRIDAY MARCH 9TH

WEYMOUTH: Talk by Doug Allan at the Pavilion. Doug is the principal photographer and cameraman for shows such as Planet Earth, Human Planet, Life, Ocean Giants, Blue Planet and Frozen Planet. Call 01305 783 225 or visit www.visitweymouth.co.uk for more details and tickets.

SHERBORNE: 'The Knicker Lady'. 7.30pm at the Gryphon School Conference Centre, Bristol Road, Sherborne DT4 9EQ in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare. Tickets £12 each to include glass of wine & canapés, call 01305 215320 or book online at www.weld-hospice.org.uk/knickerlady

BRIDPORT: Charity blues extravaganza organised by the Lions Club of Bridport. At Freshwater. Featuring star C Sharp Blues, the Fat Marrow Blues Band and Custer's Last Blues Band. In aid of West Bay RNLI and Bridport EDP. Tickets are £10 from the TIC and the Music Shop or £12 on the door. Call 01308 897281 or email clayflurrie@tiscali.co.uk to sponsor the event and for details.

SATURDAY MARCH 10TH

DORCHESTER: Coffee Morning and Sale at the United Church Hall, 9.45am to 11.45am. Organised by Dorchester and District Bible Society Action Group.

SUNDAY MARCH 11TH

BEAMINSTER: Beaminster Games Club meet at Beaminster Youth Centre (6 Prout Bridge, DT8 3AY). We do everything from Role Playing, board gaming, war gaming and Collectable card games. Every Sunday from 2pm - 6pm. For more details call 01308 862528. All welcome and it's free!

MONDAY MARCH 12TH

WEYMOUTH: Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society meet at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane, for a talk by the Gardens Group entitled 'Gardening Folklore' - old and new gardening laws and the stories behind them. Visitors always welcome. For further details call 01305 772533.

TUESDAY MARCH 13TH

WEYMOUTH: NGS Open Garden at Ola, 47 Castle Road, Rodwell, Weymouth DT4 8QE. Open 2-5pm. Admission £3 adults, children free.

FRIDAY MARCH 16TH

BROADMAYNE: Raffle, craft, plants, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local lamb, sausages & eggs, Local Watercress, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee, at St Martin's Community Hall (next to the church). 2-3.30pm. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

WEYMOUTH: USA March Meeting. Dr Anne Collier-Morris will be giving a talk on 'America's First Ladies'. At Salvation Army Citadel from 10am. Organised by Robin Allison. Telephone 01305 767584 for more details.

SATURDAY MARCH 17TH

UPWEY: Broadway and Upwey Horticultural Society Spring Flower Show at the Memorial Hall, Victoria Avenue at 2pm. Refreshments available, tombola, plant sale and cakes. Entrance free. For more details or entry forms call 01305 813942.

SUNDAY MARCH 18TH

DORCHESTER: NGS Garden Opening - 'Q', 113 Bridport Road, Dorchester, DT1 2NH 2-4.30pm. Admission £3, children free. All proceeds to NGS charities, including Marie Curie Cancer Care, Help the Hospices, Macmillan Cancer Support and Cross Roads Care.

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SATURDAY MARCH 24TH

DORCHESTER: Film/dance night: Dorchester Moose presents by popular demand 'Mamma Mia!'. At the Corn Exchange. Doors open 5.30pm, film starts 6.30pm prompt. Tickets £10 (no concessions). Performance by the Dorchester Ballet and Dance Group, followed by the Rob Wall Disco till 11pm. Fancy dress (Mamma Mia/70s) optional. Tickets available from Poundbury Village Stores, Harmony Music, Dorchester TIC, Sydney Arms, and Dorchester Ballet & Dance group. All proceeds to the Friendship Club, Dorset Kidney Fund, and Julia's House. For more details call 01305 259 039 or 01300 320902. Also join our facebook page Moose Movies.

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Craft Fair at The Palm House

THE Palm House in Weymouth has re-opened after further refurbishment with new features, layout, menu and lots of new toys in the play areas!

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Crafts such as exquisite jewellery, decopage, funky vintage toys, hand crafted bags, candle making, paintings and prints, stained glass, mosaics, wood carvings, handmade cards and many more unusual craft-works will all be on display and for sale. So take advantage of the Fair to buy an unusual and special present for Mothers Day a week later.

Don't forget, the Palm House is also a superb cafe-bistro serving fresh breakfasts, lunches and cakes all day. So with quality refreshments, the Sunday papers, play area for the kids and a craft fair, it's an excellent place to relax on Sunday.

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Mother's Day

Sunday, March 18th

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MOTHER'S Day is just around the corner and Axminster Artisan's have organised another top quality Show full of beautiful handmade gifts and artwork that any Mother would be pleased to receive.

"People really appreciate quality handmade, unique

craft both for themselves and to give as gifts." said Lisa Lyman, Co-Founder. "We are very lucky to be able to turn the top floor into a wonderful showcase for the abundance of talent we have in our area. Our favourite comment from a visitor was that the show exceeded her expectations. Many people are now regular visitors to our shows and comment that they get better each time. We are also attracting a lot of people from outside the area who then spend the day in this area."

Wendy Fountaine, Co-Founder said "We often hear that luxuries like art are the first cutbacks people make, but we were very pleased with our artwork sales at our popular Christmas Show." She explained that they involve visitors to the show by asking them to vote for their favourite exhibitor, and the exhibitor with the most votes wins a prize. "People of all ages enjoy voting and chatting about their selection and it's really interesting to see the wide range of tastes."

The Arts and Craft Show takes place at Trinity House, Home In Style Shop, Axminster from March 3-17th, and is open 10am-4pm (closed Sundays).

They have four shows planned for 2012, the first two weeks of March, June, September and December in Trinity House, Home-in-Style Shop, Axminster. Full details are on their website www.axminsterartisans.org.



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Why do we celebrate Mother's Day?

♥ MOTHER'S Day can be traced back to the spring celebrations of ancient Greece in honour of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods.

♥ IN England during the 17th Century "Mothering Sunday" was celebrated on the 4th Sunday of Lent.

♥ MOTHERING Sunday was a time put aside for relaxation and enjoyment during the long Lenten fast. Historically, Mother's Day was an opportunity for young servant girls who worked away from home to visit their mothers and they would bake a simnel cake to present as a gift.

♥ DURING the time when children as young as ten left home to take up work or apprenticeships elsewhere, this was often the only day in the whole year when families would be reunited. Mother's Day became a public holiday in the 17th century.

♥ SOME people say that centuries ago people would return to their home or "mother" church once a year during the period of Lent, and this is where Mother's Day came from.

♥ IN NORTHERN England and in Scotland, the preferred refreshments were carlings - pancakes made of steeped pease fried in butter, with pepper and salt. In fact, in some locations this day was called Carling Sunday.

♥ SIMNEL cake was said to test the girl's skills as a cook. If it remained moist and maintained its taste until Easter Sunday, she was seen as a good cook.

♥ APPARENTLY Mother's Day is the biggest event in the UK's cut flower industry. During this period the UK's sales of flowers increases by an average of 40%, making it a very busy period for florists.

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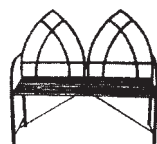
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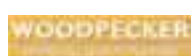
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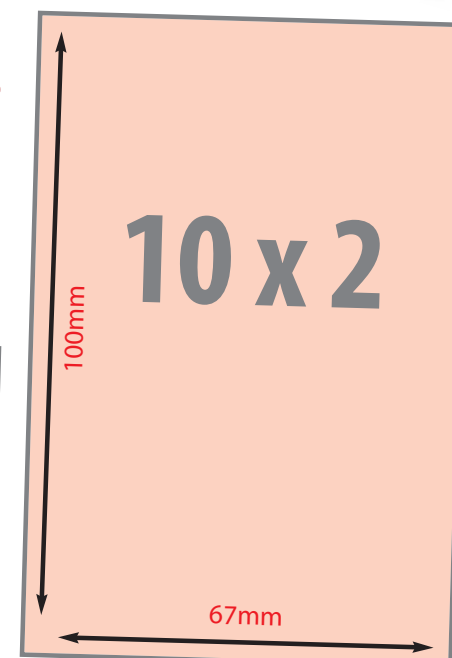
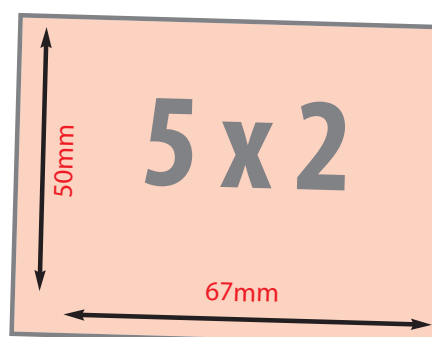
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By handing victory to the revolutionary electric vehicles, the panel of judges, made up of 59 leading automotive journalists from 23 European nations, paid tribute to General Motors' innovative foresight. The Vauxhall Ampera / Chevrolet Volt were the undisputed winners with 330 points against VW Up (281) and Ford Focus (256).

For the first time in the history of the prize, the final selection was made in the context of the Geneva international motor show. The Opel/Vauxhall CEO, Karl-Friedrich Stracke, and Chevrolet's President and Managing Director for Europe, Susan Docherty, were both handed the "Car of the Year 2012" award by the President of the COTY judging panel, Hakan Matson.

The Ampera and the

Volt emerged as the joint overall winner in a field of seven COTY finalists. Initially, 35 recently launched vehicles entered the contest. The selection criteria applied by the judges were based on attributes such as design, comfort, performance and especially innovative technologies as well as efficiency – areas where the Ampera and the Volt excel.

"It is a proud moment for us and an honor to receive this award from Europe's leading jury of automotive journalists," said Susan Docherty, President and Managing Director, Chevrolet Europe. "Our car demonstrates that electric driving can be fun and reliable without ever compromising the owners' lifestyle."

"We are extremely pleased that our revolutionary electric vehicle has emerged as the winner in such a tough field of competitors. And we are very proud of this accolade," says the

Opel/Vauxhall CEO, Karl-Friedrich Stracke. "This encourages us further to continue our leadership role in the area of e-mobility."

The Volt and the Ampera have won many international awards including the "World Green Car of the Year 2011" and the "North American Car of the Year 2011" award. There have also been accolades for

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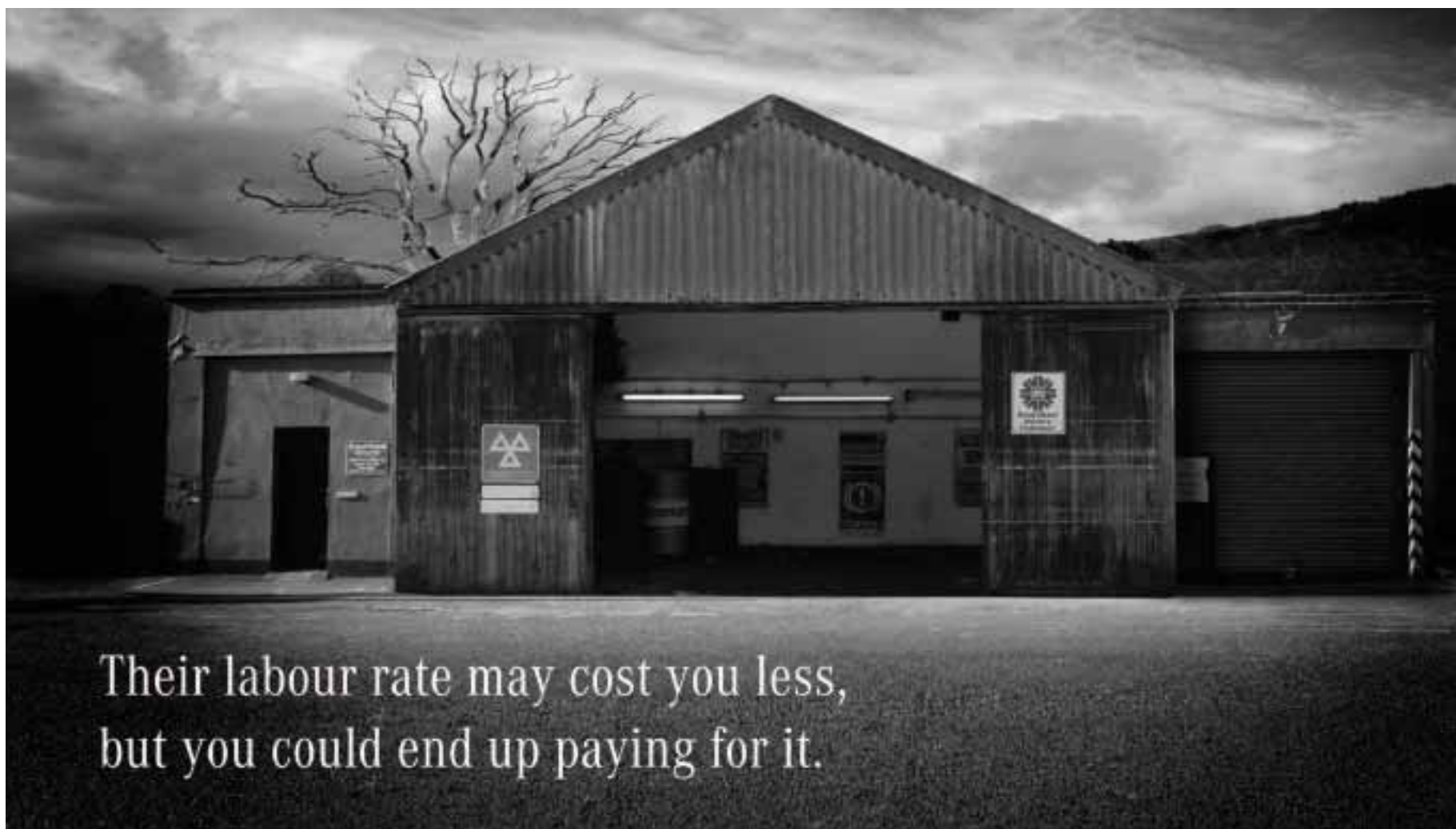
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DORSET FOOTBALL

League and cup results and fixtures

RESULTS - March 3rd

County Cup semi-finals
Junior Cup

Donhead United 2-3 Lyme Regis Res
Beaminster Res 0-2 Galaxy FC

Premier League

Cranborne 0-4 Bridport Reserves
Holt United 3-1 Blandford United
Merley Cobham 1-1 Chickereil United
Parley Sports 7-2 Ham' Utd Res
Poole Borough 1-3 Portland Utd
Sherborne Res 1-4 Hamworthy Res
Sturm Marshall 0-1 Swanage & H
Weymouth FC Res 1-0 Shaftesbury

Senior League

Blandford Utd 2-0 Bishops Caundle
Chickereil United 0-7 Okeford United
Piddletrenthide 2-0 Kingston Lacy
Portland Utd 1-1 Stum Newton Utd
Weymouth Sports 4-0 Gillingham
Witchampton 4-2 Upwey & Broadway

Division One

Dorchester Town 5-3 Merley Cobham
Poundbury Rovers 0-2 Mere Town
Shaftesbury 0-7 Bere Regis
Swanage & H 0-3 Granby Rovers
Wincanton Town 3-0 Poole Borough

Division Two

11th Signals 3-1 Gillingham
Bridport 5-0 Crossways
Corfe Castle 3-2 Lytchett RT
Corfe Mullen Utd 5-1 Balti House
Dorchester Sp 5-0 Milborne Sports
SturmNewton Utd 2-0 Wyke Regis SC
Wareham Rang 0-4 Weymouth Spart

Division Three

Okeford Utd 0-6 Maiden Newton & C

Division Four

Littlemoor 3-4 Stalbridge
Weymouth Spart 0-7 Handley Sports

Division Five

Broadstone 5-0 Dorchester CC
Mere Town 8-0 Maiden Newton & C
Milborne Sports 0-4 Pimperne Sports

Division Three League Cup

Section One

AFC Cobham 3-1 Bere Regis
Section Two
Piddlehinton Utd 2-2 Portesham
Stickland United 3-2 Cranborne

Division Four & Five League Cup

Section One

Marnhull 2-2 AFC Blandford
Section Two
Owermoigne 1-2 Bishops Caundle

FIXTURES - March 10th

County Cup Fixtures

Dorset Senior Trophy

Sturm Newton Utd v Okeford Utd
Bridport v Parley Sports

Dorset Intermediate Cup

Milborne Sports v Normalair RSL
Corfe Mullen Utd v Lyme Regis

Dorset Minor Cup

Handley Sports v Ferndown Sports
Bournemouth Univ v A&T Athletic

Premier Division

Blandford United v Shaftesbury
Chickereil United v Poole Boro
Hamworthy Rec v Weymouth Res
Hamworthy Utd Res v Tintinhull
Parley Sports v Swanage & Herst
Sherborne Res v Merley Cobham
Sturm Marshall v Portland United
Westland Sports v Cranborne
Wincanton Town v Holt United
Senior League
Chickereil United v Stourpaine
Gillingham Town v Bishops Caundle
Kingston Lacy v Wareham Rangers
Piddletrenthide Utd v Blandford Utd
Portland Utd v Witchampton Utd
Division One
Bere Regis v Dorchester Borough
Merley Cobham v Ship Inn, Wool
Poole Borough v Kangaroos
Shaftesbury v Granby Rovers
Swanage Town & H v Poundbury
Wincanton Town v Mere Town

Division Two

Dorchester Sports v Corfe Castle
Gillingham Town v Crossways
The Balti House v Bridport
Wareham Rangers v 11th Signals
Wyke Regis SC v Lytchett RT

Division Three

AFC Cobham v Piddlehinton Utd
Cranborne v Donhead United
Portesham v Maiden Newton & C

Division Four

Galaxy v Owermoigne

Division Five

Broadstone v Maiden Newton & C
Donhead United v Mere Town
Pimperne Sports v Dorchester CC

Division Four & Five League Cup

Section One

Littlemoor v AFC Blandford

Section Three

Stalbridge v Puddletown

Section Four

Swanage & H vWeymouth Spart

Topper
triumph for
Venables

A FLEET of 181 toppers descended on the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy over the weekend for the Topper Winter Regatta.

Unfortunately the winds were light, averaging just 5 knots for much of the time, and two of the planned six races were lost when the wind faded away.

The WPNSA venue is a particular favourite with the Topper community and for many of the younger sailors this was their first visit to the academy, whilst for those who have spent their winter training with various squads, this was their first opportunity to show the result.

The first two races were won by Crispin Beaumont from Bartley Sailing Club near Birmingham and Thomas Wallwork from Redesmere near Macclesfield; both inland locations and both sailors from Adam Cockerill's National Intermediate Junior Squad. Amongst the females, Emma Phillips from Starcross, Katie Barraclough from Burghfield, Ellie King from Emsworth Slipper and Rhiannon Flack from Spinnaker were all towards the front of the fleet.

The second race, and the last on Saturday, saw Edward Higson from Frampton on Severn and Dan Venables from Sutton Sailing Club lead the pack; Both are members of Dave Cockerill's National Junior Squad, so a sort of hierarchy was re-established amongst the squads and in the Cockerill household; Dan had been black flagged in the first race so this was his opportunity to make a mark.

Katie Barraclough and Emma Phillips scored a third and fourth respectively for the girls.

The Sunday morning was cancelled due to a lack of wind.

The first race of the afternoon was Venables emerge as winner once again followed by Laurence, with Christ Cowan from Portchester third, whilst the second was won by Arran Holman from Holowell with Beaumont runner-up and Aled Goddard from Clwyb Hwyllo Bala third.

Venables was named overall winner after finishing first in the fifth race of the day with Beaumont finishing runner-up overall followed by Logan, Holman and Wallwork.

Phillips was the overall female winner finishing in 7th, Barrowclough (11th) was second, and Flack (19th) the third female overall.

Terras and Magpies round-up: Islanders give Dorch a fright

DORCHESTER TOWN 2 PORTLAND UNITED 1

DORCHESTER Town found Portland United a hard nut to crack at Bridport's St Mary's Field and had to thank Ryan Dovell's extra time goal that finally saw them book a place in the final of the Dorset Senior Cup.

The Magpies still smarting from their 6-3 home defeat by Havant and Waterlooville three days earlier following a five week lay-off, were expected to use the game as a chance to get their form back at the expense of the Magna Premier League side, five tiers below them in the football pyramid.

Instead they struggled to dampen the spirits of the Islanders who refused to lie down and hounded their opponents all over the field, never letting them settle on the ball.

Neither side threatened the opposition's goal until the 17th minute when Jamie Symes broke down the wing and crossed the ball into the goal-mouth where Tom Carter, who had a splendid game stuck out a foot to divert the danger.

Three minutes later Symes was involved again, this time successfully as he threaded the ball through to Sam Malsom on the angle of the penalty area, who turned inside a hit a crisp low right foot shot across Blues keeper Nick Carroll and just inside the far post.

However Portland equalised with their first effort on goal. Jake Smeeton pulled back Ross Boatswain 25 yards from goal, and from the resulting free-kick Alex Halloran curled a superb free-kick into the top right hand corner of the net.

Chances were few, with Symes going closest three minutes from the break with a volley after Nathan Walker had headed the ball back following a corner, which missed everybody in the box but also the left hand upright.

Chances were even rarer in the second half, but with 15 minutes left Dorchester stepped up the pressure, and after Carroll had just beaten Dovell to a cross he tipped Martin's dangerous in-swinging corner over his crossbar.

Carter then produced a magnificent blocking tackle to prevent Kyle Critchell's goalbound shot, and take the game into extra time.

Although generally played in a great spirit, Grant Chance was lucky to only receive a yellow card two minutes into extra time which saw Critchell helped from the pitch.

Ashley Nicholls fired a 25-yard shot wide of the angle of the goalframe after being lined up by Dovell, before the former Bridport striker, showed he still knew where the Bees goal was 11 minutes into the first period when he converted Martin's

low cross from close range for what proved the winner.

Malsom almost put the game to bed when he struck the top of the crossbar with a vicious 35-yard free kick after Chance had fouled Symes, and just before the end Dovell almost stole another when he cheekily back-heeled a ball that just went the wrong side of the post.

Marauding Magpies spring Weston win

WESTON-SUPER-MARE 0 DORCHESTER TOWN 4

DORCHESTER Town bounced back after two hard games in a week following a five week lay-off to produce an outstanding performance to get their slim play-off hopes back on track with a resounding victory at Weston-Super-Mare.

Despite a worrying morning that had seen manager Alan Knight having to make last minute adjustments to the side following the withdrawal of Jamie Gleeson (illness) and Alan Harris-Walker (car accident), the Magpies roared into a three goal interval lead and added a fourth in the second half.

The Magpies were looking to avenge two home defeats by the Seagulls earlier in the season when they lost 3-1 in the league and 1-0 in the FA Cup, and they made no mistake, dominating from the start, and although they had to defend for most of the second-half as the hosts looked to get back in the game, they were worthy winners.

Although Dorchester had to clear Sahr Kabba's first minute effort in front of goal, they were soon in their stride with the speed of Tom Nichols and Sam Malsom always threatening, and the two combined for the first goal on 13 minutes when Malsom finished a run with a blistering shot that Seagulls' keeper Lloyd Irish could only push onto the crossbar and Nichols followed in to nod the rebound home.

Kyle Critchell, moved into midfield to cover for Gleeson, fired home a second on 23 minutes, his 25-yard low free-kick beating Irish, and then almost bagged another five minutes later when his header from Malsom's corner beat the keeper, but Jamie Price cleared off the line.

Weston finally managed to get a toe-hold in the game and appeared to have weathered the storm before Malsom struck two minutes before the break when he met Critchell's right wing cross at the near post with a superbly executed header.

The Seagulls best effort saw Jones diving full length to keep out substitute Kane Ingram's shot, but it was the county town who found the net with six minutes left in a rare attack on goal.

Irish saved from Nichols and Malsom but couldn't stop Ryan Dovell from lifting the ball over him at the third time of asking to seal a comprehensive victory.

Trust hoping to move deal forward

THE Dorchester Town Supporters Trust are meeting with the club's chairman Shaun Hearn to discuss proposals of them becoming the major shareholder at The Avenue Stadium, and ultimately a community owned club. This follows Hearn's suggestion at the end of last year for the Trust to take over his current shareholding.

The Trust have completed their process of due diligence and are now ready to outline their proposals to the Magpies chairman to try and ensure the long term future of Dorchester Football Club.

Their bid will include a detailed business plan allowing the club to live within its means and become debt-free by looking to repay existing creditors.

They are also looking to make the club a focal point of the town by involving local organisations, who at present are restricted because the club is a privately limited company, to maximise the club's facilities to increase revenue streams.

On the field they want to involve the youth set-ups and believe they have their support to make the club one of the largest in non-league football.

The Trust's chairman John Greenslade explained that this is not an aggressive takeover bid, but was instigated by Shaun Hearn, and that they are only interested in acting in the best interest of the club and its fans.

Terras forced to settle for point

SWINDON SUPERMARINE 2 WEYMOUTH 2

WEYMOUTH once again conceded a late equaliser and had to settle for a point against relegation threatened Swindon Supermarine on Saturday.

The uneven, bobbly surface ensured this wasn't a classic and left both sides frustrated as Weymouth twice took the lead in this Evo-Stik Southern Premier Division encounter, only for their hosts to fight back and equalise.

With Nick Jordan sidelined with a groin injury that could keep him out for the rest of the season, Nick Manley returned in goal whilst Scott Dixon filled the void left by James Coutts returning to AFC Totton after his loan spell.

Jamie Beasley also took a place on the subs bench after returning from loan at Poole Town.

Weymouth took the lead midway through the first half following a fairly even start when Warren Byerley scored from close range after Ben Joyce had cut the ball back from the byeline.

Bradley Gray missed a great chance to equalise soon after following a mix up in the visitors defence before Supermarine equalised on 35 minutes when Rob Dean headed Danny Allen's cross into Ashley Edenborough's path to beat Manley.

This gave the hosts impetus, but it was Weymouth who regained the lead just before the break when Sam Poole got on the end of Ben Gerrings' header following Stephen Reed's corner to nod home at the post.

On a pitch not conducive to good football, both sides struggled to put a string of passes together after the break and chances were few and far between until a flourish in the final minutes.

Manley made two good saves from sub Steve Cook and Dean whilst Kyle Lapham had to help keeper Ian Gill to clear Byerley's effort.

Swindon then grabbed the second equaliser and a point they probably deserved for their endeavour, when Dean gave Manley no chance with a shot from 15 yards following Lapham's cross.

The point leaves the Terras in 14th position.

Assistant manager Matt Groves who has now recovered from his calf injury and took his place on the subs bench said: "It wasn't a spectacle of pure football, and we have to be disappointed having taken the lead twice and done more than enough to take all three points, gave away two sloppy goals.

"An away point is not the end of the world but it's disappointing not to have got all three. Give them a little bit of credit they never gave up despite going behind twice, and although they are in the bottom four their heads didn't drop, and they snatched an equaliser.

"Maybe three or four weeks ago we might have ended up losing that game so there is a positive to take from it.

"With two home games against lowly opposition, that point may turn out to be a decent one in the scheme of things."

Groves was unable to confirm how long keeper Nick Jordan may be out with a groin injury that meant Tom Manley deputising between the sticks on Saturday.

"We need to get clarification, but it looks to be at least three or four weeks, or could be for the rest of the season."

RUGBY ROUND-UP

WITH KEITH JENKIN

Derby day victory for Weymouth

BRIDPORT 24 WEYMOUTH 54

CONDITIONS underfoot were little short of ideal for open rugby at the Brewery Field, although a stiffish breeze was blowing from the sea, and the visitors were asked to play with it at their backs initially.

The visitors then went on something of a scoring spree in the first-half. Their first try came after they had sent the ball wide. Their winger took the outside curve, slung the ball inside when collared. His pack were in support and the move carried on until Sam Morris got over 15 yards in from touch.

An unusual happening then took place for, although Sheppard's conversion kick was turned down by the touch judges, the referee awarded it and Weymouth led 7-0.

Having seemingly now found the secret, Weymouth scored again in short order. Bridport conceded a penalty directly from the restart.

The award was kicked to the corner and, from the ensuing lineout, out half Sheppard wriggled over close to the posts. He made no mistake with his second place kick to give his side a 14-0 lead.

The visitors third try came soon after, courtesy of some rather ineffectual home tackling. The Weymouth number eight picked up at the base of a scrum round about halfway. He stayed on his feet, offloaded, having put the home side on the retreat.

The ball was then spun wide and McCorniche on the left wing cut a good line and ran in to score some 15 yards from the posts. Sheppard again added the extras and Weymouth had pulled clear.

Bridport were having trouble coping with the direct running of their opponents, especially number eight Morris, and he scored his second and the bonus point try just before the half hour after he had charged over from a quickly taken short penalty inside the home twenty two.

Bridport got the next score when, having won a penalty inside their opponents' half, they kicked to the corner and, from the lineout, executed a front peel and Butler touched down out wide. The Bridport kicker added the extras from near touch.

Weymouth came straight back however.

Bridport failed to deal with the restart and their opponents took up residence in their twenty two. Two more Weymouth tries came before the break.

The first came from Wilson who ran a good angle from set piece possession in the home twenty two and get over by the posts. The second came after Barter had broken from the base of a set scrum inside his own half.

He found his narrow side winger Dean who touched down in the corner. Sheppard converted both tries to take his side out of sight at 40-7 at the halfway stage.

At this juncture I feared a little for Bridport. They had not defended at all well in the firsthalf, and had made too many errors. Their cause had not been helped by the loss of flanker Edwards to the medics, never to return, and I thought that the Weymouth machine would rumble on.

This belief was accentuated when Weymouth scored a try within scant minutes of the restart. Having kicked a penalty award to the corner, they rolled the ensuing maul over, with skipper Quick coming up with the ball. Sheppard could not miss at this stage and goaled the try.

Things then changed. Maybe some complacency crept into Weymouth's thinking. In any event they went off the boil. They lost their shape, did not protect the ball, something that is vital when facing the breeze. They lost a man to the bin and gave away too many penalties.

Bridport took full advantage and the final-half hour of this local derby game belonged to them.

They reduced the deficit on the hour when, having won a penalty close to the Weymouth line, they took the quick tap and spread the ball for centre Smith to get over halfway out.

The try remained unconverted and they were soon back on the attack, winning a lineout close in and spinning the ball wide for winger Colbourne to get over in the corner.

Again the kick was missed but, with the score standing at 47-17, Bridport had some respectability. Weymouth had tackled well enough during the second half however and, near the end, they charged upfield for number eight Sam Morris to crash over some ten yards in from touch for a try that remained unconverted.

It was Bridport who had the final word though. From a

penalty close to the Weymouth line in the dying minutes, after a couple of thrusts they sent the ball wide and Everett scored out wide.

Weymouth certainly deserved to win this one, if only for their first-half performance. One has to respect Bridport's resilience however. Left with only the remote possibility of a four try bonus point to play for at the halfway stage, they achieved it, and in fact won the second-half by three tries to two.

There were in fact, mixed fortunes for the clubs' junior sides for, while the Bridport second string enjoyed a 25-19 win at Lytchett Minster seconds, the Weymouth second side slid to a 48-0 defeat at the hands of Wimborne seconds.

FROME 32 DORCHESTER 36

PLAYING against the wind, Dorchester started brightly enough, but fell behind to an unconverted try as is their wont.

They took the lead however on the 20th minute mark after Newton had slipped a tackle and touched down for Baker to convert.

There followed an anxious few minutes when the Frome scrum half came off worst in a clash of heads and the game had to be switched to an adjoining pitch to accommodate the air ambulance.

Frome then regained the lead immediately by kicking a penalty goal, only for read the Dorchester full back to run the ball back to such good effect that he was able to round his opposite number and touch down.

Baker again added the extras and Dorchester led 14-8. Two home tries came in the final five minutes of the half however, one of which was converted, and they turned the game on its head and Frome now led 20-14 at the change round.

Dorchester regained the lead after a few minutes when Waddington broke through the centre and ran to the posts. Baker duly goaled the try to give his side the lead by a single point.

The visitors seemed to be in the ascendancy now, but an injudicious pass was intercepted by a Frome threequarter,

and he ran in from halfway. The try was converted and, although Dorchester got a score back when Newsam got over after good work by Bamlet, the try remained unconverted and they still trailed by a single point at 27-26.

Baker made amends for his miss however by kicking a subsequent penalty and his colleagues in the pack made their distinct edge at the set scrum count by "getting the nudge" at a five metre scrummage that allowed number eight, Vivian, to barrel over.

Baker converted this score also to take his side's lead to nine points, and to really make the result safe. No one had told the home side this and, right on the whistle for no side, their number eight got over in turn to earn his side a losing bonus point.

PUDDLETOWN 7 EAST DORSET 11

THE home side had the advantage of the elements initially and, in fact started the more positive.

They took the lead before the end of the first quarter after winger Dan Udell had cut a good angle and weaved his way through the visitors' cover. Skipper Yeatman added the extras.

Puddletown were hurried into error. Passes were spilled and wrong options taken and it came as no surprise when East Dorset cut the lead with a penalty, kicked from in front, before the break.

Now with the wind at their backs, East Dorset forced the home side on to the defensive for much of the second period. They kicked another penalty on the hour to reduce the tie to a single point.

Puddletown were not protecting the ball as they should and the pressure on their defence increased as the game progressed.

Their opponents got the winning try with scant minutes of the game remaining sending the ball wide for their winger to take the outside arc and score in the corner. The try remained unconverted but it was enough.

Puddletown were not playing well enough to mount a meaningful rally, and East Dorset held on for the win, with the home side feeling that it had not been one of their better days.

Walden claims superb victory

CALLED up as a late replacement, Travis Walden from the Dorchester & District ABC found himself pitted against Harry Youl, at the Generation Sports Centre Tourney in Swindon recently.

Youl, taller and bigger got to work close in at the start, not allowing Walden to set up, and proving that he was an inside distance winner, and was justifying his performance and reputation to the local fans approval.

The clash of styles looked messy but Youl appeared the slicker boxer staying one punch in front, whilst Walden showed no signs of intimidation from the immensely strong boxer from the

Wye stable, and was able to dodge and duck from sharp stinging shots.

The second round saw the county town boxer change tactics following advice from his corner, and now tactically superb, boxed long range in and out.

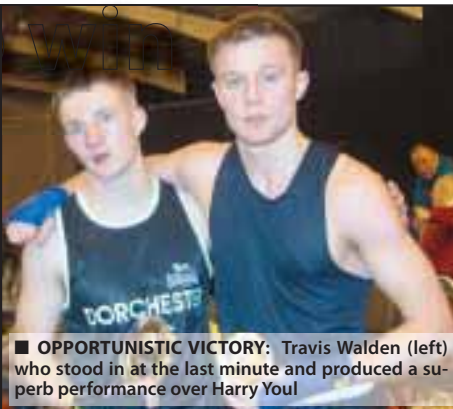
He never stopped challenging, hardly wasting a punch and making good use of the competition-sized ring.

Youl was able to parry and cover up but the accuracy from Walden's punches constantly caught his head and his powerful right crosses had a devastating effect on the Wye boxer.

He made a bright start to the third, with a good spell tagging Walden

cleanly, but was then hurt when caught by a swift combination of shots which landed on his chin and rib cage. Frustrated and unable to cope with his opponents' speed and aggression, Youl crowded and blasted his opponents ribs, but Walden was able to finish the round with a well timed cross to Youl's head.

In the most exciting bout of the night, Walden was awarded a deserved majority decision that had his coach Ben Geyser commenting: "Youl is an outstanding boxer; Travis was fortunate to have found the weak chink in his armour and penetrate it."



■ OPPORTUNISTIC VICTORY: Travis Walden (left) who stood in at the last minute and produced a superb performance over Harry Youl

Huskies tamed by leaders

Weymouth Huskies 15 Aldworth Darts 71

SOLENT LADIES BASKETBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

STRAIGHT from the tip-off it was clear that this would be a tough game for the Weymouth side with the table-topping Darts scoring three consecutive baskets in the first minute.

More impressive shooting followed from the away side, before the Huskies got their first basket through a free throw from Ellen Blackwood.

With the score at 16-1 the Huskies called a timeout to regroup and set out a new strategy to work the ball around to create more shooting opportunities.

From the restart this allowed some positive Huskies play resulting in baskets from Rosie Moore and Kelly Browne as the first quarter ended with the score at 24-5

The second quarter saw a switch with the Huskies changing to a 1-3-1 defence. This seemed to stop the flow of close shots from the Darts who had previously racked-up 540points in the their eight matches.

The only points of the quarter came from some strong shooting from Moore. But the strong defence from the Huskies only allowed the Basingstoke side to score 12 points

The visitors bagged eight baskets with no return from the Huskies until a break-away saw Blackwood gain another two points for the Weymouth team. She then followed this up two minutes later from a perfectly timed ball from Carly Dean to allowed Blackwood to score another basket.

The huskies were able to follow this straight up with some more attacking play resulting in the Darts fouling Moore, allowing her to step up to the free throw line for two shots with one being successful ending the third quarter 50-12.

The Huskies reverted back to man to man defence which seemed to allow the opposition more chances to shoot and they scored 21 points through some impressive shooting.

The Huskies were finding it hard to find space to attack the basket from the press being played on them the whole game from the Darts but in the fourth

quarter Moore in bounded the ball quickly to Browne allowing her to get to the basket, which was then followed by a shot from the free throw line from Blackwood once more.

Coach Che Osborne said: "The girls did really well this evening, they kept their heads up and battled for the game right up to the last minute.

"The opposition were well organised and very skillful and with two ex-England players in their ranks, they were always going to be tough opposition.

We made some good strong moves to the basket, and our passing in the offensive half was good, but we just couldn't convert the good moves to points when we got close to the basket.

"Full court pressure defence proved difficult for us to deal with and the resulting turnovers cost us the game, however we will take this and be better prepared next time we face this kind of full court pressure."

Huskies: Ellen Blackwood 6, Rosie Moore 5, Kelly Browne 4, Carly Dean, Sadie Osborne, Jo Flint, Steph Jones, Chrissy Mayers, Nadine White.

Dorchester & District Snooker League

RESULTS: Colliton XQ2011 4 Trinity M 2, WDC Whipping Boys 2 Purbeck Potters 6, Colliton Nomads 4 West Dorset Club C 3, Colliton Club B 1 Trinity Gooduns 6, Colliton Cons 1 West Dorset Club A 6.

30+ breaks: E.Wellman 46, M.Beale 43, C.Haskell 37 & 31.

Top Break of the Season: Clive Haskell (Trinity M) 67.

	Pld	W	D	LN/R	Pt7
West Dorset Club A.....	20	14	3	3	91
West Dorset Club C.....	19	12	2	5	85
Trinity Gooduns.....	20	12	2	6	84
Trinity M.....	20	8	2	10	76
Purbeck Potters.....	20	5	5	10	72
Colliton Nomads.....	19	12	2	5	71
Trinity Express.....	19	5	3	11	69
Colliton Cons.....	18	9	2	7	67
Colliton XQ2011.....	20	7	4	9	67
Colliton Hopefuls.....	19	7	2	10	63
Colliton Club B.....	20	5	2	13	62
WDC Whipping Boys.....	20	6	1	13	57

PREVIEW

WEYMOUTH are at home to Yeovil side IVEL BARBARIANS and need to beware for they were beaten, albeit narrowly, in the earlier fixture at Yeovil.

They led after an hour of that game but were made to pay for a sin binning late on, as the home side eventually triumphed 26-22.

Their opponents have not enjoyed the best of seasons, and are in the mid table of the division. Weymouth will be keen to put the record straight, and I think they will do so.

BRIDPORT travel to take on FROME 2nd and really should return with a win. They came out on top of these opponents at the Brewery Field in the earlier fixture by 44-6 and Frome have shown little form, either before or since.

PUDDLETOWN also play away from home. They go to FORDINGBRIDGE 2nd whom they bested 18-0 earlier. Their opponents occupy a place near the bottom of division two and, as Puddletown have quietly got better to my mind as the season has progressed, I think that they will return with a win under their belts.

DORCHESTER have what is on paper anyway, the easiest game of the day. They entertain bottom side MELKSHAM who have won on just one occasion this season and will most certainly revert to the Dorset & Wilts Division One (North) at the season's end. Dorchester won the earlier fixture by a couple of scores. I think that the margin will be considerably wider on this occasion.

As to the second sides, Weymouth seconds travel to East Dorset, the side who conceded the earlier fixture to them. Weymouth should win this one, but only after a close game.

Bridport seconds entertain their New Milton counterparts who are pushing for promotion. Although Bridport did not do too well in the earlier fixture, losing heavily, they are a different side on their own paddock. I do not think that they will disrupt New Milton's promotion challenge however.

Dorchester seconds have a tough match in prospect with the visit of Swanage & Wareham thirds who have already beaten them this season. The home side need a win to keep their promotion bid on track. This one will be close. Weymouth thirds keep soldiering on and are at home to Bournemouth fourths. I cannot see Weymouth winning this one; there will not be too much in it at the end.

Fixtures 10th March

Bridport v Frome 2nd (away); Bridport 2nd v New Milton 2nd; Chard v Hornets (away); Crewkerne v Tor 2nd (away); Dorchester v Melksham; Dorchester 2nd v Swanage & Wareham 3rd; Honiton v Pirates Amateurs (away); Puddletown v Fordingbridge 2nd (away); Sidmouth v Brixham; Sidmouth 2nd v Brixham 2nd (away); Sidmouth 3rd v Brixham 3rd; Weymouth v Ivel Barbarians; Weymouth 2nd v East Dorset (away); Weymouth 3rd v Bournemouth 4th.

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INSIDE: Dorchester Snooker League round-up

Knight praises player's reactions

DORCHESTER Town manager Alan Knight was full of praise for his players after their dazzling 4-0 demolition of Weston-Super-Mare on Saturday.

With Jamie Gleeson having to drop out on the morning of the game with illness and keeper Alan Walker-Harris suffering from shock following a car crash on the way to the ground, Knight had to make last minute adjustments to the team.

Already missing were Rico Wilson who was suffering a swollen ankle after Tuesday night's Dorset Senior Cup victory over Portland United, and Nick Crittenden injured against Havant & Waterlooville the previous Saturday.

"I don't want to sound in any way detrimental to the lads that came in, but in a way we were a little patched up due to circumstances prior to the match, but the lads did fantastically well.

by Stuart Broom
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"We had to change the team around three or four times, but the lads have shown what a resilient bunch they are before when they have had their backs to the wall, and they reacted fantastically again particularly after coming off the back of last Saturday's result. Weston are a decent side and it is always a difficult place to go.

"I didn't want to make excuses after last Saturday's result as I think there were reasons for it which didn't reflect what happened on the day, but yesterday's result and performance helped to put that to bed a bit."

The Magpies were coming off a tough week having not played for five weeks and then finding themselves on the wrong end of a 6-3

defeat against the Hawks, and then being taken into extra time before seeing off Portland United 2-1 to reach the final of the Dorset Senior Cup.

"Portland was always going to be a difficult one and to be fair to them they had a game plan to make it as difficult as they could for us.

"They scored a wonder goal after we had scored, and it gave them something to get their teeth into, and they worked extremely hard.

"Coming off a crazy result at the weekend it was always going to be a hard one but the boys stuck to their task. We weren't firing on all cylinders but we stuck to our beliefs and in the end I felt we got our just dessert.

"I thought the lads showed a good appetite for the game although we didn't play as well as we might have done, but a win's a win!"

Recent signing Sam Malsom was again amongst the goalscorers against the Seagulls at the Woodspring Stadium, his third goal in three games since joining from Weymouth, whilst Tom Nichols scored for the fifth consecutive match since joining from Exeter City on loan.

"Sam and Tom both did very well. We know Tom is quick, but Sam is also a very pacy lad and caused their defence a lot of trouble, as he did against Havant last week; something he didn't get enough credit for with us conceding six. But he and Tom worked tirelessly up front as they did again against Weston."

Knight thought that his side were well worth their four goal victory. "We played extremely well in the first half and were 3-0 up, but they made a couple of changes at half-time as they had to come at us.

"As the away team three goals up,



■ PLEASED TO HELP: Janet Gill and Ashley Jury from the Dorchester Town Supporters Club hand over a cheque for £1000 to Magpies chairman Shaun Hearn (second left) and vice-chairman and secretary David Martin before the match against Havant & Waterlooville. The money was donated to help the club who had gone five weeks without a match.
Photo by STUART BROOM

we knew that, and we had to defend solidly for most of the second-half, but we got the break and got a fourth. That's what it's all about away from home.

Knight couldn't praise everyone in the side enough for their performance but said of Nic Jones who did not know until the last minute that he would be playing after Knight had decided Walker-Harris was too shaken to take his place in goal: "It was diffi-

cult for Nic to come in at short notice, but he did what he had to do and made a couple of very good saves in the second-half."

The win sees the Magpies move up to eighth place in Blue Square South; leapfrogging the Seagulls but are still 12 points off a play-off place.

"It's still going to be a minor miracle to get into the play-off spots but we want to keep going; you never know someone's

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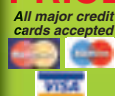
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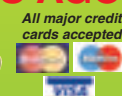
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